General Correspondence (Outgoing) May 1937

May 1, 1937

Rev. Watkins
A. M. E. Church
242 E. College Street
Springfield, Ohio

My dear Rev. Watkins:

We wish to express our gratitide to you and the members of your Congregation for your contribution of $9.12 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 1, 1937

Rev. Sanday Ray
Shiloh Baptist Church
Cor. Hamilton and Mount Vernon Streets
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Rev. Ray:

We wish to express our very deep appreciation to you and the members of your Congregation for your generous contribution of $38.25 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 1, [illegible]

Mrs. Hattie R. Hazel
2816 Eighth Avenue
New York, New York

My dear Mrs. Hazel:

This comes to express our deep appreciation for your contribution of five dollars to our Institution. It means so much to us to have the cooperation and interest pf our friends during these days of severe stress.

We enclose herewith official receipt for the amount of your pledge. Blessings upon you for this thought of our work.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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COOKMAN COLLEGE
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May 1, 1937

Rev. Jesse Swank
Center & High Streets
Springfield, Ohio

My dear Rev. Swank:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $48.10 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Donor

May 3rd, 1937.

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Mrs. Lou V. Hill,
Postoffice Box 1,
Coronado Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Hill:

Your contribution of five dollars, recently received, helped swell the total of our Annual Students and Teachers Rally, to help with maintenance needs. You will be interested to know that the total of this effort went over two thousand dollars.

During these days of Mrs. Bethune's absence, when she is doing everything possible to make contacts for the school and secure maintenance funds, we are putting forward strong efforts ourselves, to help her with this task. The Annual Students and Teachers Rally is just one of the efforts in this direction.

We are most grateful to you for your share in it, and for your interest in our work. We hope that this interest will continue and that you may use your influence in behalf of the school, whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Secretary.

May 4, 1937

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Sheafer

Pottsville, Pennsylvania

My dear Friends:

We are most grateful to you for the interest you have manifested in this work for so many years. You have always responded so generously to our needs for the Institution's program.

May we thank you for your contribution of one hundred dollars. I cannot tell you how much relief it brings. We are making every possible effort to meet the maintenance needs this year without amassing a deficit. May God bless you for helping us toward our goal.

Our school has gone forward in a marvellous and miraculous manner during these days - thanks to our Faith and our Friends - but we realize that the time has come for security. We are praying and fighting for an Endowment Fund.

Please know how warmly grateful we are for your share of the work.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

May 6, 1937

Rev. H. Roy Phillippi
Community Church
Dublin, Ohio

Dear Rev. Phillipi:

We wish to thank you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $10.5[illegible] to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 6, 1937

Professor Mick
Wells High School
Corner 4th & North Streets
Steubenville, Ohio

Dear Professor Mick:

We wish to thank you and the members of your student body for your very generous contribution of $30.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Done

May 6, 1937

Rev. Carroll Stewart
First Methodist Church
315 South 4th Street
Steubenville, Ohio

Dear Rev. Stewart:

We wish to thank you and the members of your Congregation for your generous contribution of $21.50 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

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Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 6, 1937

Miss Lillion Hines,

Bethune-Cookman College,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Miss Hines:

Bethune-Cookman College is deeply grateful for the interest which prompted your recent contribution of five dollars, designated for use in renovating Room 16, Curtis Hall. We enclose receipt for this donation.

Mr. Taylor has been notified of this gift and requested to start the work in this room as early as possible. It will go forward within a reasonably short time, I am sure. He will talk with you concerning colors and other details of decoration.

With sincere good wishes,

Gratefully yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Office Director

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May 6, 1937

Mrs. F. W. Forbes
12 High Street
Westboro, Massachusetts

My dear Mrs. Forbes:

Please may we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of twenty five dollars to our work. It lightens the load for us so much - in fact, more than we can tell you. May God bless you for this manifestation of interest in our Institution.

We are doing our best and with the help and confidence of our friends as you, we have the courage to keep plugging on to the goal. Thank you so much Mrs. Forbes!

We are enclosing official receipt for your gift - with deep gratitude.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

May 6, 1937

Miss Irene E. Bell
1035 Chapline Street
Wheeling, West Virginia

My dear Miss Bell:

We wish to thank you and the members of your Y. W. C. A. for your generous contribution of $16.83 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Ans

May 7, 1937

Mr. H. W. Cutler
The Cutler Company
Worth Wilbraham, Massachusetts

My dear Mr. Cutler:

Please may we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of twenty five dollars to our work. It lightens the load for us so much - in fact, more than we can tell you. May God bless you for this manifestation of interest in our Institution.

We are doing our best and with the help and confidence of our friends as you, we have the courage to keep plugging on to the goal. Thank you so much, Mr. Cutler !

We are enclosing official receipt for your gift - with deep gratitude.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 7, 1937

Mr. George E. Whitney
American Woolen Company
Champlain Mills
Winooski, Vermont

My dear Mr. Whitney:

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for your interest in our work, and for your contribution of ten dollars, in answer to our recent appeal. The help of our friends at this time means so very, very much to us.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us and that you will use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Student
"A"

May 7, 1937

Miss Viola Alston
Ackermore, Mississippi

My dear Miss Alston:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 27, in which you were inquiring concerning the school curriculum and requisites of Bethune-Cookman College. Bethune-Cookman is a "B" Class Junior College, accredited by the Southern Association of Negro Schools and College.

It is required that students who are non-residents of Daytona Beach, Board and Room in the Dormitories provided by the College. Students are required to uniform on Sundays and on Special occasions. Uniforms are: Dark blue suits, white blouses, dark shoes - Winter, White Suits or Dresses for Spring.

Expenses are as follows:

Annual Fees	$ 20.00	
Tuition per quarter	17.00	- There are three quarters.
Room, Board and Laundry	17.00	per month

There is an extra charge of one dollar for the following: Public School Music, Public School Art, and Science. There is an extra charge of one dollar per month for students taking Commercial subjects.

We shall be glad to have you consider Bethune-Cookman College for the furtherance of your educational training.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

316 Tea Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
May 7, 1937

Mr. Gerald E. Allen
8311 Quincy Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you for your report. I think you have done well. Keep on the way you are going.

Try to get an interview with Newton D. Baker if you can. I am glad you are following up the names I sent to you. I think you can do the work for us.

Everything goes well with my work here. The emergency drive is moving along smoothly. The students and teachers raised $2,810 in their drive. I think it is marvelous. Help will come for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

mmb/d

Donor

May 8th - 1937.

Mrs. Herbert Dupuy,
6[illegible]6 Morewood Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Dupuy:

We do not wish to call upon our good friends too much, even though our needs are urgent, but there are a few of our loyal supporters of many years to whom we feel we can take our problems two or three times a year. You have proven yourself to be such a staunch friend and we wish to assure you of our deepest gratitude.

May we thank you for your generous aid during this year. Your contribution of one hundred dollars has just been received. This amount will help us greatly in meeting the goal of "no deficit by June 30, 1937."

May God bless you, my friend, for your great share in building this work. The investments we have all made during these years have brought returns far greater than we ever anticipated. I wish you might be here at commencement time to see the fine, bright young people who will go out to serve, with the Bethune-Cookman mark of three-fold service on their hearts.

With sincere good wishes always, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Green

May 1937

Mrs. Anna M. Green
2347 Reed Street
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Green:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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1 enclosure

Student
"J"

May 10th - 1937.

Mrs. Lillian C. Morris,
2606 17th Avenue,
Tampa, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Morris:

Thank you very much for your note of May 8, with enclosure of postoffice money order for $17.00, receipt for which is enclosed herewith.

This remittance closes Theola's board and room account for the year. I note, however, that her third quarter tuition has not been paid, and I am reminding you to pay this balance before the time for exams. The balance due is $16.00

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Dixon

May 11 - 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley C. Price,
The Hoover Company,
North Canton, Ohio.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Price:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest in the work we are trying to do here, and for your generous contributions of two hundred dollars to our Maintenance Budget. We are deeply indebted to Mr. Allen for bringing our work to your attention, and we hope that your interest, just aroused, will grow as you know more of us.

It is vitally important that we close the work of the current fiscal year without a deficit. If this is done, we will have a clear field to solicit for our permanent Endowment, which is the greatest need of Bethune-Cookman College at this time. It means so much to us to have friends - old and new - to stand by us at this strategic time.

The enclosed leaflet will give you an idea of the nature and scope of our work. From a most meagre beginning, it has grown into an institution that is serving hundreds of under-privileged Negroes in this section. This has been possible because of the generous share of our friends in the responsibilities which have been before us.

May God bless you for your help at this time.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

mmb-blm

May 11, 1937.

Mr. Samuel Strauss,
885 Park Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Strauss:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your cordial letter of May 8, and your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars.

We are putting forth every possible effort to secure maintenance funds, in order that we may close the year without a deficit. It means so much to us to have staunch, loyal friends like you, to stand by us and share with us this responsibility that is before us.

We shall be grateful for your continued friendship and for the use of your influence in our behalf, whenever and wherever it may be used.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Donor

May 11, 1937.

Mrs. Frances P. Shiras,
4530 Klingle Street,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Shiras:

I cannot tell you how happy we are to hear from you again. It means so much to retain the friendship and good-will of you old friends who have stood closely by our work during these years.

God bless you for your generous contribution of one hundred dollars. This will serve not only to help us meet budget needs at this time but also as an encouragement to our efforts. We enclose official receipt for your gift.

I am so sorry that I did not get to see you in Florida this winter. I was away from the college a great deal of the time, but each month found me here for a few days at least. I shall hope to see you next year, or at some time in Washington.

I am glad to know that Mr. Shiras is getting along as well as he is, although he must be troubled with the pain that comes to him. Our prayers are for his relief.

The work continues to go forward and we are putting forth every possible effort to meet budget requirements, without showing a deficit, by June 30.

May I wish for you and Mr. Shiras a continuation of the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 11, 1937

Mrs. Lora S. L. Mance
410 East Bullard Avenue
Lake Wales, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mance:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to our Birthday Club. Please know that we appreciate your interest and confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

You can purchase a copy of Booker T. Washington's "Up From Slavery" from the Associated Publishers, 1538 9th Street, N. W. , Washington, D. C. I do not know just what the price will be. You might be able to secure Miss Brown's book on "Achievements of the Race" and the book "Darkest Africa" from the same place.

I trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 11 - 1937.

Mrs. V. H. Cookson,
2127 Glenbury Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Cookson:

We are very happy to note, from Mr. Gerald Allen's last report, your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and your willingness to present our needs to the Women's Council of the Euclid Avenue Baptist Church this week.

We are so grateful for your good-will and confidence in our program. We are enclosing some literature, descriptive of the work we are trying to do here. Our greatest need at this time is for maintenance funds, in order that we may close the current fiscal year, June 30, without a deficit. If this is done, we will be in line to start our activities toward securing a permanent Endowment fund. This is our greatest need. With assured funds, and funds from students, we will have to secure about five thousand dollars now, to carry us through the balance of the year.

Please know that we shall appreciate the use of your influence whenever and wherever you may be able to use it. Bethune-Cookman needs your help. Please call upon us for any further information that you may need in presenting the work to your groups there.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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enclosures

May 11 - 1937.

President Hamilton Holt,
Rollins College,

Winter Park, Florida.

Dear President Holt:

We owe you an apology for sending you an appeal for help at this time. Please charge this as an error in our publicity department in listing the names of donors by months.

We are so grateful for your friendship and help, and hope that you will forgive us this error. We are trying so hard to secure funds for maintenance, in order that we may close this fiscal year free of debt. We are calling on all of our friends for aid, but we never want to appeal to a friend twice in one year.

With best wishes for the continued success of your work at Rollins, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 11th - 1937.

Mr. David Herr,
Springfield, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Herr:

We do not need to tell you of the work of Bethune-Cookman College, for you know of it. You have shown us your good-will and confidence, through your previous contributions to our needs.

We write now to solicit your continued interest and help. We are at the strategic point where the meeting of operating expenses and closing the fiscal year without a deficit will put us in line for securing the endowment we so greatly need.

We must close this year free of debt, and we are asking our friends to help us to this goal.

Will you be kind enough to send us a donation at this time? Gifts - large or small - will be so greatefully received.

Please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President

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May 11 - 1937.

Mr. Arthur Titcomb,
Hillhouse,
Farmington, Maine.

Dear Mr. Titcomb:

We are deeply grateful to you for your prompt and generous response to our recent appeal for funds.

May we acknowledge receipt of your check for $50.00 which has been credited, according to your request, to general scholarships. This amount will be of great aid to some of our students who need a little help in order to put them in line for graduation. We are allowing $10 each to five of the most promising boys and girls, from your gift.

May continued blessings be yours, as you so richly merit. We value your friendship and the way you have stood by us for all of these years.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 11 - 1937.

Mrs. Hazel Tindall,
327 East Ohio Avenue,
Massillon, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Tindall:

In the report of Mr. Gerald Allen, our field agent, for April, we note that you manifested your interest in the work we are trying to do in Bethune-Cookman College, by a generous contribution of $25.00.

We send this note, Mrs. Tindall, to thank you for this aid. It means so much to us at this time, for we are trying to close the year without a deficit in order that we may put in motion the machinery for securing a much-needed endowment. Gifts received at this time serve a stragetic purpose.

We sincerely hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman will continue. It would give us pleasure to have you visit the college at some time when you are in this section.

With best wishes, we are

Gratefully yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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May 11 - 1937.

Miss May Getzendanner,
2414 Cheviot Avenue,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Miss Getzendanner:

Your letter of May 4 has been received in the absence of President Bethune from the office. She will return to the college on May 21, to remain through the commencement season. I shall place your communication before her then, and you will hear from her shortly thereafter.

May we acknowledge receipt of your contribution of five dollars, to our maintenance budget. Mrs. Bethune will be so grateful for your prompt response to the appeal for funds. It will mean so much to her if we can close the year without a deficit. Every possible effort is being put forth to secure funds. We are so grateful for your friendship, Miss Getzendanner, and for your share in this responsibility.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Office Director.

1 enclosure

May 12, 1937

Mr. F. J. Weber
602 South Ridgewood Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Weber:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College. Please know that we appreciate your interest and confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 12th, - 1937

Mrs. W. B. Mossman,
312 Tappan Street,
Brookline, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Mossman:

We do not need to tell you of the work of Bethune-Cookman College, for you know of it. You have shown us your good-will and confidence, through your previous contributions to our needs.

We write now to solicit your continued interest and help. We are at the strategic point where the meeting of operating expenses and closing the fiscal year without a deficit will put us in line for securing the endowment we so greatly need.

We must close this year free of debt, and we are asking our friends to help us to this goal.

Will you be kind enough to send us a donation at this time? Gifts - large or small - will be so greatefully received.

Please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President

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May 12th - 1937

Mr. Charles C. Persiani,
Box 48,
Plantsville, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Persiani:

We do not need to tell you of the work of Bethune-Cookman College, for you know of it. You have shown us your good-will and confidence, through your previous contributions to our needs.

We write now to solicit your continued interest and help. We are at the strategic point where the meeting of operating expenses and closing the fiscal year without a deficit will put us in line for securing the endowment we so greatly need.

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Please let us hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President

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May 13, 1937

Dr. Macortney
First Presbyterian Church
320 6th Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Macortney:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 13 - 1937.

Mrs. L. M. Moore,
Box 518,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Moore:

Bethune-Cookman College is deeply indebted to you for your generous contribution of $12.00 to our recent Annual Students' and Teachers' Rally, through the Alumni Unit.

We are so grateful for the continuation of your interest in our work. You have stood loyally by us during all of these years.

You will be happy to know that the Rally effort brought in over two thousand dollars, in cash and pledges, to help with maintenance needs. This splendid total was made possible through the cooperation and aid of friends like you.

Please be assured of our deepest gratitude.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

May 13, 1937

Rev. Edwin G. Sloan
408 Henry Avenue
Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. Sloan:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

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Mary McLeod Bethune

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316 Tea Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
May 13, 1937

Mr. B. F. Taylor
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Taylor:

I have received a letter from Mr. Stanton which I am enclosing for you. I wish to call your attention to the second paragraph and ask that you transfer the bookkeeping to the regular office set up for that work. I think it is very important that this be done at once so do not delay. After you have read the enclosed letter, kindly hand it to Mrs. Mitchell for my file. You do not need to wait until I come home to get this done. I am very anxious for smooth running of things there and it is necessary that this change be made.

I will be there on the 21st or the 22nd of May and will remain through the commencement season. I hope things are going well. Kindly have this transfer made immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
PRESIDENT

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Encl.

May 13, 1937

Mr. George L. Edumendson
Missionary Presbyterian Church
McKeesport, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Edumendson:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

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Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 13, 1937

Mrs. Rosa Wickan
127 South 8th Street
Steubenville, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Wickan:

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Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 13, 1937

Rev. J. O. Williams
6721 Rowan Street
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. Williams:

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We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

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Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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13, 1937

Rev. T. J. King
2001 Wylie Avenue
Ebenezer Baptist Church
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. King:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $16.11 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 13, 1937

Mrs. Geraldine Bradfort
7259 Livingstone Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Bradfort:

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Mary McLeod Bethune

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MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
PRESIDENT

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SEC'Y-TREAS.

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316 Tea Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
May 14, 1936

Mr. Gerald E. Allen
8311 Quincy Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Allen:

You understand very thoroughly the campaign for funds for Bethune-Cookman College that is now being directed from Washington. I have had a conference with one of the executives, Mr. George E. Cohron and he thinks it would be a fine thing if we could have a well trained man in the field for the next three or four weeks, to get into the centers and help the organization along. I think it would be one of the most advantageous things that you could do at this time. We are all working toward the same goal. This effort is for the budget for Bethune-Cookman and that is the purpose of your contact. Now let us combine our forces and see what can be done.

Write immediately to Mr. George E. Cohron, 654 Girard Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., giving him your plans and your present itinerary and combine your efforts with theirs. We have now about twenty-five states organized and we want to do some work in special centers. Mr. Cohron will send you a list of the State Directors and as many of the City Directors as he can get his hands on. Your work will not be over lapping, but will give us the stimulus needed to push this effort over. Mr. Scott and Mr. Cohron are giving their services to this effort and cannot release themselves from their employment to do the follow up work that is necessary; consequently a man in the employ of the institution can do the work that is needed at this time. Mr. Cohron feels that what is needed is personal contact to give the impetus to it that is necessary. Baltimore is working - see what you can do in Baltimore. New York is not organized as we would like to have it. We have just secured someone for the leadership of Chicago. Cleveland is not organized. Talk with Mr. Walker to whom I wrote today and get Cleveland lined up.

I am sending you one of the leaflets of the appeal so that you will understand it thoroughly. Hold yourself in readiness and while you are getting ready to get out from Cleveland, do what you can to get Cleveland lined up. You have your Ministers' organizations, your church organizations, the sororities, fraternities, the schools and other organizations, so get it going. I think Bishop R. E. Jones and Bishop Ransom are co-leaders of Ohio.

Thank you for your last report. I think things are going well. I will write to Mr. Baker today.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Mary McLeod Bethune
PRESIDENT.

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May 15, 1937

The Pastor of
Archer M. E. Church, (Colored)
Williston, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $6.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We wincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation, will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

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Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

May 15 - 1937.

Mrs. Margarette G. Crossman,
Hampton Falls, New Hampsire.

My dear, dear Friend:

It means so much to us to have your continued friendship and help. God bless you for your recent generous contribution of one hundred dollars, to help some of our needy, worthy boys and girls, through scholarships.

We are so sorry to know that you have been ill and hope that you have entirely recovered from your operation by this time.

We have missed you in Florida and hope that you may come down next year and again, listen to our students sing.

Just know that we are doing our best down here, and we are greatly encouraged by the way our friends are standing by us. Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

May 15 - 1937.

Miss May W. White,
The Waldorf-Astoria,
Park and Lexington Avenues,
New York City.

My dear Miss White:

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and your recent generous contribution of twenty-five dollars in answer to our appeal for maintenance funds. This contribution will aid us greatly in meeting current needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount sent.

You will be interested to know that our efforts toward the goal of meeting all current expenses by the end of the fiscal year, June 30, are meeting with encouraging results.

Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 15th - 1937.

Miss Willie Simmons,
1125 Washington Street,
Clearwater, Florida.

My dear Miss Simmons:

May we express our sincere appreciation for your recent contribution of $2.00 to the Annual Students and Teachers' Rally, representing the contributions of the students of Pinellas High School, Clearwater, Florida. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

With best wishes for your continued success,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 15 - 1937.

Mrs. Bernice Hughes Martin,
725 Bland Street,
Bluefield, West Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Martin:

May we express our sincere appreciation for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and its students.

We have received your check for $5.00, for the annual extemporaneous speech contest. We will be glad to let you know the fortunate person who receives this prize. It will be presanted at the Student Achievement hour, on Commencement day.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Liberty Hill M. E. Church, (Colored)
Newberry, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $6.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Ocala M. E. Church, (Colored)
Ocala, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $10.00 - charges Cotton Plant and Micanopy.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that you interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Lowell M. E. Church, (Colored)
Starke, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $3.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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The Pastor of
Cedar Keys M. E. Church, (Colored)
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $5.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Gainesville, M. E. Church, (Colored)
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gifts - charges as follows:

Alachua & Noble Hill------------	$ 3.00
Freedom and Santos--------------	5.00
Gainesville Church--------------	20.00
Otter Creek & Gulf Hammock------	6.00
Williston & Sand Hill-----------	2.00
	36.00

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipts for the amounts contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Bell M. E. Church, (Colored)
Shamrock, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $1.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Adamsville M. E. Church, (Colored)
Alachua, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $4.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Arredondo M. E. Church, (Colored)
Alachua, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $2.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will, continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 17, 1937

The Pastor of
Jonesville M. E. Church, (Colored)
Newberry, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $6.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 18 - 1937.

The Pastor of
Central M. E. Church,
Endicott, New York.

Dear Sir:

May we thank you for your designated gift of $50.00, from the Central Church, which has recently been received through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church. We conclude that you desire to have this held in unused Designated Donations, for the tuition of Miss Alfrieda Prince, as your last donation is being held. We have, therefore, made out the receipt with this in mind. If we are incorrect in thus crediting it, please let us know.

We are deeply grateful for your interest in Bethune-Cookman and hope that it will continue. It means so much to us to have the good-will and confidence of your splendid congregation and you.

With sincere good wishes, we are

Gratefully yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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Donor

May 18 - 1937.

Mr. D. M. Wheeler,
22 Harding Street,
Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

My dear Mr. Wheeler:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued interest in our Institution.

We have just received your cordial note of May 13, together with your check for $10.00, designated for the renovation of the Arwilla J. Wheeler Room in Curtis Hall. We are deeply grateful to you for this help. The work of renovation will go forward during the interval between the close of our regular session and the opening of our summer session. We enclose official receipt for the amount of your gift.

Our work continues to move forward, and we sincerely hope that we may be able to real the goal of closing the year without a deficit, in June.

Please continue prayerful of us and thoughtful of us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Prizes

May 18th, 1937.

Mrs. Veva W. Rees,
Holly Hill, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Rees:

May we express the gratitude of Bethune-Cookman College for your recent contribution of ten dollars, to be used for the Rees Poetry Contest Prizes during the 1937 Commencement season.

We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Sincerely yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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Done

May 19th, 1937.

Mrs. Sarah Van Tuyl,
General Delivery,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Van Tuyl:

May I thank you for your full and interesting letter of May 14, 1937.

We are so happy to know of your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and in our race, generally. I was very much interested in what you said about Joe Louis. We are very proud of him and of the clean, fine record he has made in sports.

I have noted all you have said concerning the possibility of your receiving a larger pension. Let us pray that the best thing will be done for the greatest good of all who need it. We are doing our best in Washington, trying to direct federal aid where it is needed.

We enclose a little leaflet, descriptive of our work here. You may be interested in reading it.

With best wishes for your continued well-being, and with the hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman will continue, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

May 19th, [illegible]

Mrs. Gertrude Page Jones,
216 Tenth Avenue, Northeast,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Jones:

May we express our deep gratitude for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your contribution of five dollars in response to our appeal.

Bethune-Cookman has been able to make the phenomenal progress which she has, during these thirty-three years, because of the share of friends like you, who have sensed the need among our young people, and have [illegible] confidence in our plan of service to them.

We are so happy to welcome you to our circle of friends. We hope that your interest in our work will grow as you know us better, and that you may visit us whenever it is convenient for you to do so.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 21, 1937

The Pastor of
Bryan Memorial M. E. Church
Miami, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your Lincoln's Day Gift of $20.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 21, 1937

The Pastor of
Reddick M. E. Church, (Colored)
Newberry, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $5.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 21, 1937

The Pastor of
Clinton M. E. Church
Clinton, New York

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your Lincoln's Day Gift of $3.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 21, 1937

The Pastor of
Tarpon Springs M. E. Church
Tarpon Springs, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your Lincoln's Day Gift of $5.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that you interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 21, 1937

The Pastor of
Trinity M. E. Church
St. Augustine, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your Lincoln's Day Gift of $15.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 21, 1937

The Pastor of
Sanpulaski M. E. Church
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $6.00.

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The Pastor of
Lowell Church
Starke, Florida

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The Pastor of
St. Joseph M. E. Church
Jacksonville, Florida

Dear Friend:

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May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

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Gratefully yours,

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The Pastor of
Pinesville Eh E. Church, (Colored)
Old Town, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $10.00.

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Ocala, Florida

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The Pastor of
Old Town M. E. Church
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Friend:

Through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have just received your World Service Designated Gift of $8.00.

May we express our sincere gratitude for this aid toward maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed.

We sincerely hope that your interest and the interest of your congregation will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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The Pastor of
Newberry M. E. Church
Alachua, Florida

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Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

May 22 - 1937.

Mrs. Ferris J. Meigs,
42 Prescott Avenue,
Bronxville, New York.

My dear, dear Friend:

I reached Daytona Beach and Bethune-Cookman yesterday and found everything in splendid shape for commencement. The campus is beautiful, the weather is fine and the spirit is good.

I send this note to express our gratitude for your generous contribution of one hundred fifty dollars to maintenance needs. You know how much this means to us at this time. Our material situation is not discouraging - rather it is challenging to the continuation of our best efforts. Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us.

It is gratifying to know that the plans are actually under way for the Endowment Drive. This is the most vital thing before us at this time. I believe that it will be successful, just as I believe that we will meet all obligations for current needs by June 30th.

I wish that you and Mr. Meigs might be here for the Commencement events.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 22, 1937

Miss Elise Rodriguez
819 Whitehead Street
Key West, Florida

Dear Miss Rodriguez:

In reply to your letter of May 22, regarding expenses in addition to Tuition Scholarships, we wish to state that the $51.00 offered to students of high scholastic ranking covers only the three quarters for Tuition for the academic year. In addition are:

Annual Fees .... $20.00 payable at entrance only

Board, Room and Laundry .... 17.00 per month

Students taking the following subjects are charged one dollar a quarter: Public School Music, Public School Art and Science. Those students taking Commercial in addition to the regular academic load are charged one dollar per month.

We hope that you will consider Bethune-Cookman College for the continuance of your educational training.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Appeal

May 24th - 1937.

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer,
370 Riverside Drive,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer:

How strange it is that something impells me to write to you this morning. I hope that you are well and that Mr. Pfeiffer is also.

I am here for the commencement and find that the work is moving forward gratifyingly. It is very beautiful around the campus, with the grass and shrubs green and the flowers blooming. The greatest beauty comes from the picture made by the students going to and fro, to their classes and examinations. Sixty-nine of them will complete their work this commencement and either go to other institutions for further work, or take their places of service in the world.

The passing of John D. Rockefeller has created somewhat of an air of sadness in this vicinity. He lived just five miles from us. He has been such a great friend to mankind, such a generous philanthropist. No one can help feeling the force of his passing.

We are trying to fight through these last weeks. Students and teachers are joining their efforts with ours in trying to close the year without a deficit. In a recent Drive they had they raised twenty-two hundred dollars to help with maintenance needs.

I am deeply concerned about the two hundred thousand dollars that we must secure as the first unit of the Endowment. This amount must be secured in order that we may keep our Institution on the accredited list.

Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer,
New York City.

May 24th, 1937.

Please, Mrs. Pfeiffer, be kind enough to keep Bethune-Cookman College on your list. I know you are interested and I somehow think you will do all you can for us. I am urged to write you just at this time, for I want you to keep us in mind. Your investments here will bring large returns in human lives. In thinking of your program for next year please include Bethune-Cookman, in the light of its needs.

I wish it might be possible for you to be present at our commencement.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

May 25 - 1937.

Mr. John L. Way,
171 Bloomfield Avenue,
Hartford, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Way:

May we express our sincere and deep gratitude for your continued interest in our work, and for your recent contribution of ten dollars. This is such a great help to us in meeting our maintenance needs.

You will be interested to know that wd are now approaching the commencement season. Sixty-nine young people will complete their work and either go to other institutions or take their places in the service of teaching in the State.

It is our hope and our goal to complete the work of this fiscal year without a deficit. Our friends are standing by us nobly, and we are doing our best here. The students and teachers recently combined their efforts in a Rally and raised over two thousand dollars to help with maintenance needs.

We sincerely hope that you will continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 25, 1937

Rev. C. S. Thomas
First Baptist Church
12th Avenue and 17th Street

Dear Rev. Thomas:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of Congregation for your very generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of serivce we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concerty by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 25 - 1937.

President N. W. Collier,
Florida Normal and
Collegiate Institute,
St. Augustine, Florida.

My dear President Collier:

May we express our sincere gratitude for your confidence in Bethune-Cookman College and for your recent contribution of one dollar to our Students' and Teachers' Rally. We enclose receipt for this donation.

You will be interested to know that this Drive brought in over two thousand dollars - such a real help to maintenance at this time. It is our hope and goal to close this fiscal year's work without a deficit.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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May 25, 1937

Donors

Rev. D. B. Banks
2121 - 5th Avenue
Altoona, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. Banks:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $12.90 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this manifestation of confidence in the type of work we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 25, 1937

Miss Jackie Mae Robinson
Route 1, Box 190
Campbellton, Florida

Dear Miss Robinson:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 24, making application for National Youth Scholarship Assistance for the term 1937-38. We wish to state that there has been no allocation made for the ensuing year.

We shall be glad to hear from you during the summer and we will then be in a position to give you some definite word. We will be glad to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 25, 1937

Miss Mable Tomlin
Route 2, Box 421
Lakeland, Florida

Dear Miss Tomlin:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 19, making application for National Youth Scholarship Assistance for the 1937-38 term. We wish to state that there has been no allocation made for the ensuing year.

We shall be glad to hear from you during the Summer and we will be able to give you some definite information. We will be glad to give you every possible consideration.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 25 - 1937.

Mr. Henry M. L. James,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. James:

On Friday, at 11:45 A. M. we are asking the Methodist ministers of Daytona Beach, New-Smyrna and Ormond to join our students and teachers in a Memorial Service to the late Bishop William McDowell and Dr. Frederick C. Eiselen, who was corresponding secretary of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

We would deeply appreciate it if you would give a five or seven minutes' talk on the Life of Bishop William Fraser McDowell.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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May 26 - 1937

MEMO

to

Mr. Taylor, Business Manager
Miss Hines, Bookkeeper

Please regard the following as my explicit instructions regarding your procedure in handling Bethune-Cookman checks:

1- All checks for payments on teachers' salaries should be placed in envelopes, addressed to the individual teachers and PLACED IN THEIR MAILBOXES.

2- All checks for payments to creditors should be mailed by the bookkeeper.

3- All checks to weekly wages people should be prepared and placed in envelopes addressed to them on Saturday mornings, and they should be instructed to call at the bookkeeper's office for these checks on Saturday noons.

4- The Business manager should send in his requisition for checks. There his responsibility regarding them ends.

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

May 27, 1937

Mr. A. E. Brown
Harrisburg Boys' School
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Brown:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your school for your very generous contribution of $15.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 27, 1937

Mrs. Bancroft Davis
2410 Wyoming Avenue, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Davis:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $35.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 27, 1937

Rev. Carey S. Thomas
12th Avenue and 17th Street
Altoona, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. Thomas:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 27, 1937

Rev. P. C. Williams
Bethel A. M. E. Church
622 Briggs Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. Williams:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 27, 1937

Mr. Fred. S. Lock, President
Rotary Club of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Lock:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Club for your very generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 27, 1937

Rev. Pagon
A. M. E. Zion Church
209 - South Perishing Street
York, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. Pagon:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $13.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 27, 1937

Mrs. Hattie M. Strong
2900 Cathedral Street
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Strong:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $25.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 27, 1937

Rev. Chester S. Simonton
Messiah Lutherian Church
909 N. 6th Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Dear Rev. Simonton:

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Congregation for your very generous contribution of $32.50 to Bethune, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 28, 1937

Mrs. Frank L. Morton
923 West Erie Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Morton:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our maintenance needs here at the College.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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OOKMAN COLLEGE
CHIVES

May 28, 1937

Mr. Charles C. Persiani

Plantsville, Connecticut

Dear Mr. Persiani:

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for your continued interest in our work, and for your contribution of twenty five dollars, in answer to our recent appeal. The help of our friends at this time means so very, very much to us.

Bethune-Cookman has been able to make the phenomenal progress which she has, during these thirty-three years, because of the share of friends like you, who have sensed the need among our young people, and have had confidence in our plan of service to them.

Please keep thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

May 28, 1937

Mr. C. P. Powers
431 W. Church Street
Orlando, Florida

Dear Mr. Powers:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $2.50 to our Birthday Club, through Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful for this manifestation of confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us, and use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 28th - 1937.

Mr. Gerald E. Allen,
Detroit Y. M. C. A.,
635 East Elizabeth Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Allen:

Thank you very much for your letter. I have noted the things that you are doing.

I think it will be all right for you to remain in Detroit while you are getting something done there. I have not heard from Mr. Cohron and do not know his thoughts about your moving, but you will do just as much good in Detroit. I think it is a very fine thing to have these two phases of work together at this time.

We are in the midst of our commencement season and I am making a desperate effort to be able to pay our teachers by Tuesday of next week, and to clear our slate of all obligations by June 30. I believe we can do this.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 28, 1937

General Motors Acceptance Corporation
Standard Oil Building
Franklin Street & St. Paul Place
Baltimore, Maryland

Attention Credit Department

Your letter of May 17, making inquiry of an itinerary of Mr. Gerald E. Allen, has been received.

You may communicate with Mr. Allen at the following address: C/o Y. M. C. A., 635 East Elizabeth Street, Detroit, Michigan.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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May 28th, 1937.

Mr. Henry M. L. James,
Bethune-Cookman College.

Dear Mr. James:

I would like to see your Committee right after the Play tonight.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

May 28th - 1937.

Mrs. P. E. Dixon,
47 Dixie Avenue,
Zellwood, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Dixon:

The bookkeeping department has given us the enclosed statement of Flossie's account, and we are sending it to you with the request that you check it carefully, as to charges and payments, and let us know if it agrees with your records.

You will note that, in October, when Flossie came out of the Dining Hall, we refunded her a portion of the board which had been paid for that month, upon her request.

We shall appreciate it if you will check this statement and if there are any errors or omissions, inform us immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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1 enclosure

May 28, 1937

Mr. J. E. Jones
Interlachen, New York

Dear Mr. Jones:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your contribution of three dollars.

Bethune-Cookman has been able to make the phenomenal progress which she has, during these thirty-three years, because of the share of friends like you, who have sensed the need among our young people, and have had confidence in our plan of service to them.

We hope that your interest in our work will grow as you know us better.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 28, 1937

Mrs. Veva W. Rees
Carbondale, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Rees:

Enclosed is a receipt for $1.00; a contribution to the Birthday Club by Mrs. David Krouse, through you.

Mrs. Krouse has deceased, since making this contribution, therefore, we are sending the receipt to you.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 28, 1937

Mrs. Blanche Glenn
227 West 137th Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Glenn:

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our maintenance needs here at the College.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 28, 1937

Mr. H. R. Williams and Son
901 North Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Friends:

May we express our deep appreciation for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your contribution of five dollars to our work.

Bethune-Cookman has been able to make the phenomenal progress which she has, during these thirty-three years, because of the share of friends like you, who have sensed the need among young people, and have had confidence in our plan of service to them.

We enclose official receipt for your gift - with deep gratitude.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 29, 1937

Mrs. Sara S. Washington
The Apex News and Hair Company
Indiana and Arctic Avenues
Atlantic City, New Jersey

Dear Mrs. Washington:

May we express our deep appreciation for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your contribution of ten dollars in answer to our recent appeal.

Bethune-Cookman has been able to make the phenomenal progress which she has, during these thirty-three years, because of the share of friends like you, who have sensed the need among our young people, and have had confidence in our plan of service to them.

We enclose official receipt for your gift with deep gratitude.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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May 29, 1937

Mrs. R. E. Noble
45 Home Avenue
Crafton Branch
Pittsburg, Pennsylvania

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Dear Mrs. Noble:

Through Mrs. Ruth W. Carter we have learned of your generous contribution of fifteen dollars to our work. We want you to know that we are deeply grateful for your confidence and interest in the type of service we are rendering.

Bethune-Cookman has been able to make the phenomenal progress which she has, during these thirty-three years, because of the share of friends like you, who have sensed the need among young people, and have had confidence in our plan of service to them. We hope that your interest in us will grow as you know us better.

We will be glad to have you visit the school when you are in this section.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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COOKMAN COLLEGE
CHIVES

May 29, 1937

Miss Shellie L. Powe

705 North Pleasant Street

Gainesville, Florida

Dear Miss Powe:

In reply to your letter of recent date, concerning the continuance of your educational training, we wish to state that we have not plan by which a student might earn all of his or her expenses while at Bethune-Cookman College.

If you are given some assitance, what will you be able to do to help with your expenses.

We are sorry that we can give you no definite word at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General Correspondence (Outgoing) June 1937

June 1st, 1937.

Mr. Warren R. Cochrane,
Bethune-Cookman College.

My dear Mr. Cochrane:

This is a very hard letter for me to write, but conditions for the harmony of the Institution force it.

I want to express my appreciation for the service you have rendered us this year, and for your active participation in the promotion of our program. I deeply regret that the inharmonious results of your approaches and your attitude have outweighed the fine service you are capable of giving. Therefore, I must consider the relationship of the largest number to the Institution as of major importance. With this in mind, we regret exceedingly that we are not in position to invite you to return to Bethune-Cookman College for next year.

I am enclosing check in the amount of $300.00, balance in full of salary due you to this date. I am enclosing also, statement of your board and room balance due the College. I believe you recently received an itemized statement of this account, and will deeply appreciate settlement.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE [illegible] COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

June 1, 1937.

Mr. Kenneth D. Days,
Bethune-Cookman College.

My dear Mr. Days:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for the services you have rendered Bethune-Cookman College during these years.

We are pleased to invite you to return to us as a member of our staff for 1937-38, as instructor in our Mathematics Department, with such courses in Science as may be required, in relation to our program, and your working load.

I regret to state that we will not be able to quote proposed salary figures to teachers and workers for 1937-38, until after June 30, 1937, which date will close our fiscal year. Early in July our Budget will be completed and we will be in position to make a definite salary offer to you.

We enclose our check in the amount of $300.00, balance in full of salary due to this date. We appreciate your patience and courtesy in the matter of this account.

With best wishes for a pleasant summer, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

June 1st, 1937.

Mr. Fletcher M. Morton,
Bethune-Cookman College.

My dear Mr. Morton:

I want to express to you my gratitude for the fine service you have rendered us during this year and other years, and for your cooperation with my program.

According to your own arrangements with me, and the definite understanding that you gave me in the Fall, I have kept in mind your desire for service that will bring you larger earnings. You told me that you would do your best to remain with us this school year, or such a portion of it as you would be able. I agreed with your desire and told you that I would consider a release for you if your plans materialized even before the close of the school year. Upon this basis, therefore, we have built our program, and have not made provision for your retention in our work next year. If you have in your mind any idea of desiring to return, I regret exceedingly that we are not in position to invite you so to do.

We enclose our check in the amount of $283.46, balance in full of salary due you to this date. We enclose also statement of your board and room balance due the College. I believe you recently received an itemized statement of this account, and will deeply appreciate settlement.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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2 enclosures

June 2nd - 1937.

President G. Archie Gregg,
606 Locust Street,
North Little Rock, Arkansas.

My dear President Gregg:

Thanks very much for your interesting letter of May 20, with enclosure of $5.00 to maintenance, for which I deeply appreciate.

I am looking forward to my visit with you, and hope to find you in action, as usual.

We hope to have you visit Daytona Beach some time, where you will find it very restful and pleasant.

We have just closed our 33rd Annual Commencement activities, which were among the best held at Bethune-Cookman. Attorney Robert L. Vann, Editor of the Pittsburg Courier, delivered the Commencement address to sixty-nine young men and women. He made a most eloquent address to the complete satisfaction of a large and appreciative audience.

We hope to work out a definite program for your State, whereby our people may be benefitted, while Arkansas.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 3rd, 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving W. Bonbright,
1 Wall Street,
New York City.

My dear, dear Friends:

It is gratifying and encouraging to note your continued interest in the work we are doing in Bethune-Cookman College. I cannot tell you how much we need and appreciate your gift of one hundred dollars, just received. We are making a desperate effort [illegible] close this fiscal year without a deficit, for if this can be done we can start the campaign for the first unit of the Endowment that is so greatly needed. We must secure $200,000 in Endowment Funds, immediately, in order to hold our standards. You can see, therefore, how much it means to us to have our friends help us meet these final maintenance needs at this time.

Please be assured of our sincere appreciation for your interest and help.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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Done

June 3rd, 1937.

Rev. George W. Alexander,
905 Fourth Avenue, South,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Rev. Alexander:

May we express our deep gratitude for your conference donation of $30.00 to Bethune-Cookman, which we have credited to the St. Petersburg church, Atlantic District, South Florida Conference. We enclose herewith our official receipt for this amount.

It has meant so much to us in courage and real material aid to receive the gifts of the Churches at this time. May God bless each member who has stood by our work in this manner. We are making a desperate effort to close the work without a deficit on June 30th. We have realized our goals for all of these years, and our faith will stand by us at this time.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Know that we are deeply grateful for the way you are standing by the program.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 3rd - 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick C. Squier, Jr.,
274 Upper Mountain Avenue,
Upper Montclair, New Jersey.

My dear, dear Friends:

Bless you for your continued interest in our work! You cannot realize how deeply we appreciate and how much we need your contribution of twenty-five dollars to our work at this time. We are making such a desperate effort to clear all obligations by the end of this fiscal year, June 30.

We had a most inspiring Commencement. Sixty-nine young people received their diplomas from the Junior College course. They are now prepared to go out into the rural districts and teach - a service that is so greatly needed in the State. Summer School will open in a few days.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 4th - 1937.

Mrs. Luse,
205 North Halifax Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Luse:

May we express our sincere appreciation for your thought of Bethune-Cookman College in the matter of the books recently donated to our Library. We wish to assure you that these books will be of great help to us in our work here.

We sincerely hope that your interest in us may continue, and that you may use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

June 4, 1937

Mr. John L. Stockton
48 Edgecombe Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Stockton:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that this amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College; and that we are thankful for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rnedering.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 4th - 1937.

Mrs. George Alderdice,
265 Redonda Street,
Youngstown, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Alderdice:

Mr. Gerald E. Allen, Field Secretary for Bethune-Cookman College, has called our attention to the unusual interest that you have manifested in the work that we are doing in our school.

Bethune-Cookman College has for the past thirty-three years accepted as its task the responsibility of character-building among Negro people, awakening of young minds and the extending of good will.

The experiment has proven that, the thousands of dollars invested by friends and organizations in this Institution during the years have brought high dividends, in training young Negroes who are serving in inspiring and enlightening our people.

Wont you help us by making a contribution to maintenance? Wont you just place a contribution in the enclosed self-addressed envelop and send it to us by return mail?

So much depends upon our closing the fiscal year, on June 30th without a deficit. Your influence among friends will be doubly interesting to us at this time.

Please help us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,

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June 4th - 1937.

Miss Algernon Blatch, Secretary,
Ever Ready Workers Club,
1215 North Tamarind Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Miss Blatch:

The faculty and students of Bethune-Cookman College express deepest gratitude to you for your share in the recent STUDENT-TEACHER DRIVE.

You will be interested to know that this effort brought in over two thousand dollars in cash and pledges, to help our Maintenance Budget.

Kindly express our sincere appreciation to the Ever Ready Workers Club, for their most generous support to our DRIVE.

May the activities of your Club go over in a BIG way, and as a result of your activity your work may be magnified.

God is wonderfully blessing us, and we are trying to prove our worth through our activities.

Sincerely yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE.
Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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June 4, 1937

Mrs. G. V. Turner
Y. W. C. A.
175 W. 137th Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Turner:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that this amount aids us greatly in meeting our maintenance needs here at the college; and that we are thankful for the manifestation of confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope that you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 4, 1937

Mrs. S. D. Foster
Lakeside, Ohio

Dear Mrs. Foster:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $8.75 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that this amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College; and that we are thankful for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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1 enclosure

Drew

June 8, 1937

Mr. Edgar Wolfe
Ohio State Journal
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Wolfe:

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for your interest in our work, and for your contribution of ten dollars, through Mrs. Josie W. Roberts, a member of our Publicity Quintette. The help of our friends at this time means so very , very much to us. May God bless you for this manifestation of our interest.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution. Please keep thoughtful of us and prayerful for us and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Dover

June 8, 1937

Mr. Avery G. Clinger
Ohio National Bank
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Mr. Clinger:

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for your interest in our work, and for your contribution of five dollars, through Mrs. Josie W. Roberts, a member of our Publicity Quintette. The help of our friends at this time means so very, very much to us. May God bless you for this manifestation of interest in us.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your gift. Please keep thoughtful of us and prayerful for us and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely and gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 8, 1937

Mr. David H. Madison
953 Sherman Avenue
Steubenville, Ohio

My dear Mr. Madison:

We wish to express our sincere appreciation for your interest in our work, and for your contribution of fifty cents, through Mrs. Josie W. Roberts, a member of our Publicity Quintette. The help of our friends at this time means so very, very much to us.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 8, 1937.

Miss. Alice T. Simmons,
321 Edgecombe Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Miss Simmons:

We are deeply grateful for your recent cordial letter, and for your contribution of $5.00, in payment to your pledge to the maintenance of Bethune-Cookman College. This means so much to us at this time, when we are putting forth every possible effort to clear our slate by the end of the fiscal year June 30.

We enclose official receipt for your gift, and with it our expressions of warmest appreciation for your friendship and confidence.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 8, 1937

Reverend Andrew Caraker
First Baptist Church
Sarasota, Florida

My dear Reverend Caraker:

We enclose herewith official receipt for the amount of forty-six dollars, which was applied to the account of Marthena Riley. We wish to thank you for this remittance and for your interest in Miss Riley.

We hope that your interest will continue in our work.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Re: Student

June 9th, 1937.

Mr. Carroll M. Ellis, Director,
National Subscription Agency,
5619 South State Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Mr. Ellis:

May we thank you for your letter of May 20, calling attention to the services of the National Subscription Agency.

We do not have in mind any special students who might be interested in your proposition at this time. We think with favor, however, upon the preparation of an announcement to the effect that you are desirous of seeking young men and women to sell subscriptions during the summer months, and we shall be glad to place such an announcement on our bulletin board, and call the attention of students to it.

With best wishes for the fullest success of your work, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 9th, 1937.

Miss Grace Lee,
Premium Department,
17 Sussex Street,
Jersey City, New Jersey.

My dear Miss Lee:

Your letter has been held for some weeks for my personal attention. Although I came to the College in late May and read it through and intended writing you, my hands were so full that I could not do so.

I do want to thank you for sending such a full outline of the advantages of the Octagon Coupons Premium Department. We have been trying to effect an organization to handle this type of thing for the College for we firmly believe that it will be of great benefit to our maintenance budget. The program has included so many, many projects that it has not been possible. I hope that we may be able to satisfactorily effect such an organization during 1937-38. I hope, also, that I may be at the College when Mr. Freeman calls. If not, he may be able to leave any details or information that may be helpful to us in planning for this solicitation with my secretary, Mrs. B. L. Mitchell.

May I thank you again for your courtesy and consideration.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 11, 1937

Bowman M. E. Church (Colored)
Tampa, Florida

Attention of the Pastor

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Church for your generous contribution of $19.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through your Lincoln Day collection.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount, and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We trust you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 11, 1937

Vienna M. E. Church
North Bay, New York

Attention of the Pastor

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Church for the generous contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount, and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We trust you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 11, 1937

Great Neck M. E. Church
Great Neck, Long Island, New York

Attention of the Pastor

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Church for the generous contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through your Lincoln Day collection.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount, and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We trust you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 11th - 1937.

Mr. George W. Cohron,
Executive Secretary,
Bethune-Cookman Campaign,
1114 O Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Cohron:

I can never tell you how thrilled I was to receive your good letter, with enclosure of check for $400.00.

The check that we were to have sent you in the amount of $500.00 found its way back to Nashville. We were so desperately in need of funds, we used it. Kindly credit the Tennessee State College for the $500.00. Mr. W. J. Hale, President.

I shall arrive in Washington Monday. I will arrange a conference with you on my arrival.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 11, 1937.

Mrs. J. G. Harris

The Casements

Ormond Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Harris:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your generous material gift and the use of your influence.

We send this note to thank you for your recent gift of decorations to us. You know just what this means to us, for it helps to relieve our budget.

Please be assured of our deep appreciation for all that you are doing for our work.

Sincerely and gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 11, 1937.

Mrs. F. M. Turrentine
709 Ora Street
Rogers Apartments
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Turrentine:

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to the Bethune-Cookman Birthday Club. We want to thank you for your continued interest and confidence in our work.

We enclose here with official receipt for the amount of your donation, with deep gratitude.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 12, 1937

Keeney Chapel M. E. Church (Colored)
Tampa, Florida

Attention of the Pastor

We wish to express our gratitude to you and the members of your Church for your generous contribution of $2.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount, and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We trust you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 12, 1937

Mr. John A. Carpenter
440 North Wells Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Mr. Carpenter:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 14 - 1937

Dr. M. J. Holmes
Secretary for Negro School
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Holmes:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your check for $110, balance of Special Repair Funds appropriated for Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for same.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 14 - 1937.

Mrs. Fanny A. Evans,
The Casements,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

My dear, dear Friend:

You are so lovely to me. I think of you as a real Angel of Mercy. I thank God for your affection and your friendship.

I cannot find words to thank you for the beautiful, soft, colorful chiffon dress that you sent to me. The slip brings out the pattern so beautifully, and the accessories make it a most attractive outfit. You must have known that I needed just such a dress for my special occasions. I shall wear it with pride and deepest appreciation, my friend.

I have been thinking of you constantly during the past several weeks. I shall continue to think of you and pray that you may be careful of yourself.

May your physical and spiritual strength be increased day by day, and may you have a continuance of God's choicest blessings, for you so richly merit them.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 14 - 1937

Mrs. H. H. DuBois
450 Hempstead Avenue
Hempstead, New York

Dear Mrs. DuBois:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $1.00 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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1 enclosure

June 17th - 1937.

Mrs. James Dickie,
Parkstone Apartment,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Mrs. Dickie:

We wish to express to you our sincere gratitude for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College and particularly in the Art Department. It is so encouraging to Miss Williams and to all of us to have this assurance that you will be responsible for the cost of much needed repairs and renovations on the building.

At this strategic period in the history of our Institution, we welcome new friends to manifest their interest in our program. We sincerely hope that we may count you among our friends and that your confidence will grow as you know more and more about Bethune-Cookman.

With the hope that God's continued blessings may be with you, I am

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 14 - 1937.

Mr. William Snodgrass,
Clermont, Florida.

My dear Mr. Snodgrass:

Words cannot express my profound gratitude to you for your most generous gift to Bethune-Cookman College. Your contribution came as a direct answer to my prayers. After all, Christian principles still play an important role in touching and making tender the hearts of those who serve and glorify God.

It was so good to have a little visit from you and your family. Come to see us whenever you are in this section. Keep in close touch with what we are trying to do here.

May our Father's choicest blessings be yours.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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enc-receipt for $1,000.

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June 14th - 1937.

Mr. J. S. McLane,
1919 Davis Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mr. McLane:

Please may I thank you for your invaluable service to the Bethune-Cookman Emergency Campaign. The use of your influence in Jacksonville and Florida in general, has been doubly helpful to us.

I am writing President J. R. E. Lee regarding our financial progress here at the College. Meanwhile, I would be pleased to have you include in your report the following figures: $1550.00 as a result of the Student-Teacher Drive, and $909.00 received from the Methodist Episcopal ministers. Total returns from activities and personal contributions $2,459.00 in cash.

We hope that you will keep up your interest for Bethune-Cookman. Your influence with friends, will be doubly interesting to us at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 14 - 1937.

Mr. N. M. Christopher,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Christopher:

Thank you very much for your letter of May 30th. I read it will deep appreciation.

May I say that I fully understand your situation and I am sorry that I cannot do anything to help you at this time. I tried very hard to hold things intact at the Keyser Practice School, but circumstances prevented my efforts from bringing the desired results.

I am suggesting that you communicate with my daughter, Margaret Bethune, who is now supervising the WPA Adult Education work in this District. Make application for some work in that field. I am sure she will be very happy to discuss possibilities with you and use her influence in your behalf.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 14th - 1937.

Mr. William Snodgrass,
Clairmont, Florida.

My dear Mr. Snodgrass:

Words cannot express my profound gratitude to you for your most generous gift to Bethune-Cookman College, on Friday June 11th. Your contribution came as a direct answer to my prayer. After all, Christian principles still play an important role in touching and tendering the hearts of the persons who serve and glorify God.

May God's choicest blessings guide and keep you throughout the years.

Keep in close touch with us. We shall be most happy to have you visit our Institution whenever you can find time to do so.

Sincerely yours,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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June 17, 1937.

Mrs. Adaline Ronan,
10 Wentworth Street,
Plymouth, New Hampshire.

My dear Mrs. Ronan:

May we express our sincere appreciation for your continued interest in the work we are trying to do in Bethune-Cookman College. It means much to us to have friends like you.

We are most grateful for your contribution of $3.05 to our Birthday Club, which will go toward the aid of some worthy, dependent student.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 17, 1937.

The Sarah Lawrence Community Chest,
Sarah Lawrence College,
Bronxville, New York.

Dear Friends:

May we express our warmest gratitude to you for the generous contribution of $92.00 to our Institution, which has just been received.

We cannot express to you the great relief which this gift brings to us at this time. We are putting forth every possible effort to close out this fiscal year on June 30, free of indebtedness. The help of our friends at this time is of strategic importance. May God bless you for this thought of us.

We enclose official receipt for your gift. With it goes our deepest appreciation for your interest in Bethune-Cookman, your confidence in our program, and your aid at the time when we need it most.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 19, 1937

Mr. William F. McCrady
McCrady-Rogers Company
Investment Building
239 Fourth Avenue
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. McCrady:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. The fact that our friends continue to stand by us during these strenuous days gives us great, great encouragement. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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June 19, 1937

Mrs. William Nottingham
508 University Place
Syracuse, New York

Dear Mrs. Nottingham:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. The fact that our friends continue to think of us during these strenuous days gives us great, great encouragement. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Student
R."

June 19, 1937.

Mrs. Clifford Rahn,
308 West 150th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Rahn:

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to you for your confidence in Bethune-Cookman College, in sending your son to us. We wish to thank you also for the satisfactory manner in which you have handled his account.

In going over our list of delinquent balances we find that there is a small balance of $39.00 still due on George's account for the scholastic year just closed. We have prepared itemized statement of his account, with charges and payments, in order that you may see just how this balance came about. It seems to represent second quarter high school tuition, third quarter college tuition, a Science Fee and a balance of board and room for one month in which no payment was received. I am sure you will find this statement clear. If there are any payments that may have been overlooked, kindly notify us.

If you find the statement in order we shall appreciate receiving your remittance at the earliest possible moment. We are trying to close our fiscal year June 30th, 1937, and must have all student matters adjusted by that time.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 19, 1937

Miss Pauline E. Taylor
1708 West Lemon Street
Palatka, Florida

Dear Miss Taylor:

In response to your request for a catalogue of Bethune-Cookman College, we are sending you separate cover a copy of our 1935 edition. As soon as our new catalogues are off the press, we will send one to you. This will give you an idea of the requirements. It is totally inadequate as to the Academic work for we now have the Quarter System.

Kindly read the requirements for students living in the City, if it is your plan to live out of the College Dormitory.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 21 - 1937.

Mr. N. M. Christopher,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Christopher:

We find it necessary to have someone on the field each summer, to bring to the attention of prospective students, the merits of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are inviting you to do this work for us at this time. We desire, during 1937-38, a large enrollment of students of high calibre. We want to have you make as wide a tour of the State as possible, in order to touch prospective students.

We should like for you to start out on Wednesday, June 23, 1937. This office and the office of the Dean will cooperate with you in providing materials for distribution, information, and so forth. We hope to have you work on the field during the remaining days in June, all of July and possibly all of August.

For your service we offer you a cash salary of ninety ($90) dollars per month. We will furnish the school Chevrolet for your transportation, and take care of the expense of gas and oil.

If these terms are satisfactory, please let us hear from you immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 21st, 1937.

Mrs. Abbie M. Johnson,
Grand Daughter Rules,
Daughters of I.B.P.O.E.,
1639 Wharton Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Johnson:

Bethune-Cookman College is most grateful to you and to the Grand Temple for the contribution of twenty-five dollars, which means so much to us at this time. We are putting forth every possible effort to secure sufficient funds with which to close our year's work, and it is especially gratifying to note the interest and loyal aid of our Negro friends. May God bless you and each member of your splendid organization. Just know that I am doing my best for my people and it is a great relief for them to stand by my life's work at this time.

We enclose official receipt for the contribution of the Grand Temple.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Drew

June 22nd, 1937.

Mr. Albert E. B. Jenkins,
734 St. Nicholas Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Jenkins:

We wish to express our sincere gratitude for your recent contribution of five dollars to our work. We cannot tell you how much it means to us to have our friends stand closely by us during these days of extraordinary effort in order to meet our goal.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Continue to use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

We enclose official receipt for your gift.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 22nd, 1937.

Miss Marathena Riley,
820 Central Avenue,
Sarasota, Florida.

My dear Miss Riley:

Rev. Andrew Carraker sent in the check to cover the balance of your tuition, before the close of school. With this credited, and your NYA credits, there is a balance of only $26.50 left on your account.

I am writing to you regarding this amount for I have talked with you many times about your account. We want to get it settled by June 30, if it is possible, or it will have to be included in the delinquent list that must be filed with our Parent Board.

Please do your best, Marathena, to get this balance settled.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 22 - 1937.

Mr. N. M. Christopher,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Christopher:

We find it necessary to have someone to go on the field each summer, to bring to the attention of prospective students, the merits of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are inviting you to do this work for us at this time. We desire, during 1937-38, a very good enrollment, particularly of students of high calibre. We want to have you make a wide tour of the State, and touch as many young people as possible.

We should like for you to start this work immediately. This office and the Dean's office will cooperate with you in providing materials for distribution, information and so forth. We hope to have you work on the field during the remaining days in June, all of July and possibly all of August.

For your service we offer you a cash salary of ninety ($90) dollars per month. We will furnish the school Chevrolet for your transportation, and take care of the expense of gas and oil.

If these terms are satisfactory, please let us hear from you immediately.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Re: Student Sloan

June 22nd, 1937.

President Arthur Howe,
Hampton Institute,

Hampton, Virginia.

My dear President Howe:

One of our Bethune-Cookman boys, Raynell Earl Sloan, of Tampa, Florida, is very eager to enter Hampton Institute next year for a work-year opportunity.

It makes me very happy to know that this young man desires to complete his college work at Hampton. He is one of the finest boys we have ever had to register in Bethune-Cookman College. During the two years that he spent here, pursuing his Junior College work, he was, consistently, industrious, reliable, honorable, and possessed of distinct qualities of leadership. He worked his way here, but he maintained a very creditable scholarship average. He has all of the qualities of a gentlemen that we covet for our boys - all of them.

I do hope that your Institution may be able to give him a chance. I feel sure he will prove worthy of any opportunity that may be granted him.

With best wishes for the continued success of your splendid Institution, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

June 22nd, 1937.

Rev. W. P. Pickens,
84 Bridge Street,
St. Augustine, Florida.

My dear Rev. Pickens:

In our knowledge of the general conditions incident to the church work, we have tried to very considerate of you in the matter of the balances on the girls' accounts. We are now approaching the end of the fiscal year and must have these balances paid up.

There is a balance of $36.00 on Wilhelmina's account and a balance of $18.00 on Beatrice's account, up to the time of her withdrawal.

It will relieve the College of inconvenient explanation to the Board if these balances are settled before the 30th.

I know that we may have your usual cooperation in the matter.

With gratitude for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 22nd, 1937.

Mrs. Pearl B. Luckie,
1901 Highland Avenue,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Luckie:

We thought we were very generous in the matter of your niece, Oretha Thomas. We permitted you to settle her old balance when she entered on the basis of the figure that was in your own mind. I note that you have paid only a small amount of her expenses this year.

Our fiscal year closes on June 30th, and delinquent accounts will be placed in the hands of our Parent Board for collection. There is a balance due on Oretha's account, of $69.00. If this amount is not paid by the 30th, and the account is turned over the auditor for the Board, it will very seriously handicap Oretha in any future extension of credit that she may request of this or any other Institution.

Oretha has had itemized statements of the account and knows that the charges are correct.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

Donor

June 24, 1937.

Miss Elisabeth W. Frothingham,
Wilson Park,
Tarrytown, New York.

My dear, dear Friend,

I knew that you would come to my rescue if you possibly could. May God bless you.

There are just a few days left in which to work but we are putting forth our best efforts. The loyalty of our friends is an ever present stimulus to us.

Always know how deeply grateful I am for the way you have stood by all of these years.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 24, 1937.

Mrs. William H. Moore,
4 East 54th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Moore:

I knew that you would come to my rescue, like the splendid, interested, loyal friend that you are. May God bless you for your generous contribution of five hundred dollars.

There are just a few days left in which to work but we are putting forth our best efforts. The loyalty of our friends is an ever present stimulus to us.

Always know how deeply grateful I am for the way you have stood by during all of these years.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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June 25, 1937.

Miss Lila N. Thompson
Dade City, Florida

My dear Miss Thompson:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for National Youth Scholarship Assistance for the term 1937-38. We wish to state that there is no High School Aid available.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 26, 1937.

Mrs. C. S. Merrill
Hatfield House
525 West First Street
Long Beach, California

My dear Mrs. Merrill:

Mrs. Ranslow has turned in to the office your generous gift of $10.00, sent in answer to Mrs. Rees' recent appeal. This will help so greatly in the purchase of materials to be worked up during the summer, for sale next winter.

May God bless you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It gives us great encouragement and stimulus to have a friend like you.

No doubt you have already heard from both Mrs. Rees and Mrs. Ranslow. We just want you to know how grateful we are to you. We enclose receipt for your gift.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 28 - 1937.

Mr. Henry Meis,
The Charles Meis Shoe Company,
312 Vine Street,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Meis:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude for your generous contribution of one hundred dollars to our Institution. I cannot quite tell you how much this gift means to us at this time of stress. We are doing everything in our power to close the books this fiscal year without showing a deficit. We are kept encouraged, because of the help of our friends.

May God bless you for this help, and strengthen your interest and confidence in our work.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 26, 1937.

Mrs. Maudestine Richardson, Treasurer,
State Federation of Women's Clubs,
2028 Calhoun Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Richardson:

Through you we wish to express our sincere gratitude to the State Federation of Women's Clubs, for the generous contribution of ten dollars toward current maintenance of our Institution. You do not know just what this means to us, not only in the material help it brings, but in encouragement and stimulus. May God bless each member of your fine group for this thought of our work.

We are continuing to do our best.

May God bless you for your confidence in our efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

June 28 - 1937.

Miss Josephine Doll,
3411 North 17th Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Miss Doll:

Miss Williams reported your generous gift to our Endowment Fund, and we are sending this note to express our sincere gratitude for this additional evidence of your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

We are putting forth every possible effort go close our work this year without a deficit. The fiscal year usually closes on June 30th, but our Board is permitting us to keep them open until July 30th this year, in the hope that we may more nearly reach our goal. If we are successful in this effort we will then start out for the endowment fund we so greatly need.

May God bless you for your continued confidence.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 28, 1937.

Rev. C. B. Curinton,
Trinity M. E. Church,
Sanford, Florida.

My dear Rev. Curinton:

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your gift of five dollars for the members of your congregation. This means so much to us at this time, for we are trying to close this fiscal year free of debt.

May God bless you for your continued confidence in our work. Please continue to use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

June 28, 1937.

Mrs. Ferris J. Meigs,
Big Wolf,
Tupper Lake, New York.

My dear Mrs. Meigs:

Your kind letter of June 25, with enclosures, have been received in the absence of President Bethune from the office. I am, however, sending it to her in Washington.

Meanwhile, may we acknowledge, with deep gratitude, the receipt of your donation of fifteen dollars, designated for Curtis Hall Paint Trim. We enclose receipt for this amount.

Please be assured of our deep appreciation for your continued interest.

Sincerely yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell.

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June 28, 1937.

Mrs. Lea McI. Luquer,
Eagle Cliff Bungalow,
Bar Harbor, Maine.

My dear Mrs. Luquer:

God bless you, my dear friend, for your continued confidence and help. I have just received your note of June 25 and the generous check for two hundred twenty five dollars. How wonderful it is that you are doing this for us. You can never realize how grateful we are for it.

These last days find us putting forth every effort to close out obligations. We are greatly encouraged, for our friends are standing so closely by us.

Just know that we are most grateful for your friendship of all of these years.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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June 29 - 1937.

Mr. Clifford Rahn,
310 West 150th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Rahn:

We are very grateful for your letter of June 25th, and for the corrections given for the account of your son, George Rahn.

The fees for September, 1936, should have had included a Key Deposit of $1.00, making the total charges $45.00 instead of $44.00. All students are charged this amount, which is refundable at the close of the year, if the key is returned to the office. As Rahn's key was returned, we have issued a memorandum that his account be credited with $1.00, to offset the $1.00 charge in September.

We have going through duplicate receipts of November and find that you are right in the matter of this credit. Receipt # 2413 was issued in payment of $18.00 on this account, and, through oversight, was not posted to the right account. We noted, with regret, that the name line was not followed in the Student Journal and this credit seemed to be opposite the name of another student. We apologize for this error.

The adjustments have been made, and the account now shows a balance of $20.00.

May we thank you for your confidence and the business-like courtesy with which you handled this matter.

Very truly yours,

mmb-blm Mary McLeod Bethune.

Re: Students

June 30, 1937.

Mr. Claude Stone,
18972 Wildemere Avenue,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Stone:

May we thank you for your inquiry of June 28th.

We regret to state that we do not accept students as young as twelve years, classified as low as seventh grade. We offer the last two years of High School work and Junior College work.

We are sorry that we cannot accept your little girl in Bethune-Cookman.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General Correspondence (Outgoing) July-Aug. 1937

Student
R"

July 1, 1937.

Mrs. Verty Mae Rogers,
417½ Fourteenth Street, South,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Rogers:

We regret to state that we do not accept children as young as eleven years of age.

Our organization is composed of the last two years of high school, and two years Junior College work.

When your little girl reaches the place where she can meet our entrance requirements, we will be very glad to consider her application for admission here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 2nd - 1937.

Mrs. Rosa L. Davis,
Tuskegee Institute Summer School,
Tuskegee Institute, Alabama.

My dear Mrs. Davis:

Through you we wish to express our sincere appreciation to Miss Sleita Hyder, of McKenzie, Tennessee, for her recent contribution of one dollar to our Institution. This means so much to us at this time.

We are so grateful also for your continued interest in our work here. It means so much to us to have friends like you, who are constantly using their influence in behalf of our work.

Please continue to be prayerful for us and thoughtful of us.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 5 - 1937.

Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.,
10 West 54th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Rockefeller:

Through Miss Kelly, your secretary, we have just received your generous contribution of four hundred dollars.

I can never tell you, my dear friend, what this gift means to us at this time. As you know we are putting forth the strongest possible effort to clear up all obligations for this year, in order that we may work definitely on our Endowment need. It means so much to me in encouragement and stimulus to have loyal friends share in the responsibilities which are before us. Just know that we are grateful for your continued interest and friendship and help. May God bless you for this contribution.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 10, 1937

Mrs. Carrie B. Harrington,
West Ford, Massachusetts.

Dear Mrs. Harrington:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $1.00 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the college.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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July 13, 1937.

Mrs. Ethel S. Noble,
Crafton, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Noble:

I have just received your beautiful letter to Mrs. Carter and I am simply writing to express my appreciation for the interest you are manifesting, and for the contribution you have made to the college. We are always happy to know that our friends believe in the efforts that we are putting forth here.

Mrs. Carter is doing a very splendid day's work in our Boys' Dormitory. All of the help that you can give to her will greatly encourage her in her efforts.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 14 - 1937.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

May we express our deep gratitude for the Board's checks for $1,000 and $500, first payments on 1937-38 appropriations for Regular and Repairs, respectively. This total amount has enabled us to close our obligation to the First Atlantic National Bank.

We enclose receipt for these gifts.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 14 - 1937.

Mr. George Cohron,
Bethune-Cookman Emergency Campaign,
1114 O Street, Northwest,
Washington - D. C.

My dear Mr. Cohron:

You will never be able to realize what inspiration and stimulus and encouragement and deep gratitude are ours because of the cooperation of your organization. Our group here fairly cheered when I presented your last donation of one thousand dollars. May God bless my own people for the way they have stood by us and are continuing to stand by. Our final report for this year will show larger gifts from Negroes and greater cooperation than ever before in our Institution's history.

I hope all continues to go well there.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 14, 1937

Mrs. Thomas C. Potts,
254 W. Walnut Lane,
Germantown,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Potts:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are thankful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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July 14, 1937

Mr. C. V. Troup, Principal
Risley High School
Brunswick, Georgia

Dear Mr. Troup:

Thanks for your very kind letter of July 9, and for your generous contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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July 14, 1937.

To
The Executive Committee
of the Trustee Board,
Bethune-Cookman College,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Fellow-Workers:

This is a very important moment in my thoughts regarding the problems and the future development of Bethune-Cookman College. I sincerely believe that this is the time for the most definite step forward that we can take in the promotion of our program here.

The Board of Trustees gave to us the authority to go out for five hundred thousand dollars Endowment for the College. This great task must be accomplished along with the raising of funds for annual maintenance. The job is a vitally essential one and also a momentous undertaking. The school must have a permanent endowment to insure its continued progress.

I have given careful and candid study to our present organization and staff and I find that the responsibility for insuring the progress and permanency of this work rests upon my own shoulders. I am willing to continue pulling to the extent of my ability, but I have a clear knowledge of my own personal strength and limitations in such an undertaking. I have searched diligently over the country for friends and funds. I have given thirty-three years of unceasing activity in this field and I realize that what has been accomplished in former years, in the securing of funds, cannot be accomplished now. I realize that new approaches must be made; the abilities and activity of others must be teamed with mine. I have been searching for someone who could give to me the reinforcement necessary and, at the same time, who would release me from some of the necessary details of the work that I have been carrying for these years.

I have discovered a man of training and experience, a man who has the confidence of the Southern Education Foundation and of the General Education Board, who can be secured to help me do this great task.

To
The Executive Committee
of the Trustee Board,
Bethune-Cookman College,

July 14, 1937.

I am submitting to the Executive Committee of the Trustee Board, for consideration and appointment as Acting President of Bethune-Cookman College, the name of Prof. Abram Simpson, for the past five years President of Allen University, Columbia, South Carolina. I am requesting the appointment of Mr. Simpson to this position because of my own conviction of the need of the service I believe he is capable of rendering our Institution at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

July 15, 1937.

Prof. Abram Simpson
Allen University
Columbia, South Carolina:

My dear Mr. Simpson:

I am very happy to inform you that the Executive Committee of our Trustee Board, at a called meeting on July 14, 1937, appointed you Acting President of Bethune-Cookman College. I sincerely hope that your relationship to our Institution in this position will be productive for your life and for the College. As I see the matter now, our plan will be to have you start your work about the middle of August, or as soon after that time as possible. I think it is very important that we get together at an early date in order to get plans worked out.

As to your living quarters I am not yet prepared to state what arrangements will be made but I shall look earnestly into this and we will see what temporary arrangements can be made until we are in position to build a cottage for you. I hope that this may be done in the very near future.

We are sending suggestions of the items outlined as primary in planning for Bethune-Cookman's next progressive step. Please give these items your consideration and study.

We have just received the blanks from the Board of Education for the preparation of our Budget for 1937-38. The Budget will be prepared in tentative form and we shall want your suggestions on it also.

With very best wishes, I am

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July 16, 1937.

Mr. D. C. Green,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Green:

We have studied our Music situation here very carefully and find that it will be impossible for us to have two musicians in the department for next year. Our student body is not sufficiently large for that, and there are certain things that we must have that we cannot get with our present organization. It has become necessary for us to make a change. I regret the necessity of this, and I want to doubly assure you of my appreciation for the work that you have done since you have been a member of our staff. I regret that we cannot offer you a position on the faculty for the scholastic year 1937-38. Your specialty is the Piano, and I shall do everything in my power to help you improve yourself in that field.

You may feel that this notice is coming to you rather late,but things have been so uncertain with us that I have not been able to take a definite stand until this time.

If you desire a recommendation of the service you have given to us you have but to call upon my office.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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(Personally dictated 7/16/37 by Mrs. Bethune
but signed in her absence -blm)

July 20, 1937

Miss Fannie L. Parker
Pennellville, New York

My dear Miss Parker:

May we express our deep and sincere appreciation for your generous contribution of five dollars to our Institution. I cannot quite tell you how much this gift means to us at this time of stress.

We enclose official receipt for your gift. May God bless you for this help, and strengthen your interest and confidence in our work.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 27, 1937.

My dear Mr. Morton,

We continue busy at Bethune-Cookman, and the "business" now is rather irksome, with the summer school folks. We will all be glad when it is over.

I am sending your recommendations. Just let me know whether they will meet your need, or whether there is anything else that you want me to do for you. I hope that you may get into the educational system of Ohio. That is such a desirable place to be. Maryland, of course, may be all right, but I dont know much about it. Let me know of the progress you make and your ultimate location.

Give my love to Martha. Tell her that I will give her that "recipe" when I see her. She really doesnt need it yet, you know, for you two must enjoy each other for a while. Marcia is still her vivacious, happy, healthy self.

Mrs. Bethune will be here all of the month of August. She is in Texas now and will go to Washington before she returns here. Doesnt she get about?

Write to us more often, and be good to Martha.

Always sincerely yours,

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July 27 - 1937.

To Whom It May Concern,

This is to state that Mr. Fletcher M. Morton taught for four years in the High School department of Bethune-Cookman College, in the field of History and Political Science.

During his incumbency here Mr. Morton rendered very satisfactory service to our Institution. His classroom work was effectively and thoroughly done, and he was cooperative not only in the academic program of the Institution, but also in extra-curricular activities.

We are happy to recommend Mr. Morton for any courtesy or consideration he may seek at this time, in the field of educational service.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 27 - 1937.

Mr. J. C. Evans, Director,
Division of Trade and
Technical Education,
West Virginia State College,
Institute, West Virginia.

My dear Mr. Evans:

May I thank you for your letter of the sixteenth of July.

I have received a full letter from Miss Katherine Coleman, in which she gives her very fine qualifications for work. I had definitely considered her for our work here in the Bookkeeping Department. However, we have been able to make some adjustments that will keep our present staff intact. I shall certainly keep Miss Coleman in mind, however, for possible future affiliation with our Institution.

May I congratulate you upon the splendid work that is being done at West Virginia State College. It is gratifying to me to note the march of progress in our own Institutions.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 27 - 1937.

Miss Katherine Coleman,
White Sulphur Springs,
West Virginia.

My dear Miss Coleman,

May I thank you for your recent application, and for the statement of your splendid qualifications for service.

I had been giving very favorable consideration to your application for the position of bookkeeper but found, upon my return here that our own situation could be adjusted and our present staff remain intact. I shall keep you in mind for possible affiliation with Bethune-Cookman at some time in the future. You have had valuable training and experience and should be an asset to any Institution.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

July 29, 1937.

Mrs. Clara Kneubuehl,
29 Legion Drive,
Kenmore, New York.

My dear Mrs. Kneubuehl,

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest in our Institution. Your recent contribution of one dollar to our Birthday Club means much in encouragement and help to us at this time.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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July 31 - 1937.

Mrs. Margaret Shaw Campbell
130 Woodland Road
Sewickley, Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Campbell:

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your contribution of ten dollars, so gratefully received. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 2, 1937.

Mrs. Elnora Springfield,
514 Thomas Street,
Birmingham, Alabama.

My dear Mrs. Springfield,

Applications for NYA aid and for tuition scholarships will not be acted upon until the third week in August, and cards to applicants will be sent out soon thereafter. We do not receive the notice of appropriations from the National Youth Administration until the middle of August and it is impossible, therefore, for us to make any allocations.

We sincerely regret this delay.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

August 3 - 1937.

Miss Helen Gwendolyn Stephens
Postoffice Box 1324,
Haines City, Florida.

My dear Miss Stephens:

Thank you very much for your letter of July 30th.

Because of your qualification, as a high school student, you do not meet our requirements for student aid. The few Industrial scholarship jobs that are available, are all allocated, and the NYA jobs are offered to college students only.

We enclose a Bulletin of Information and hope that you may come to us as a regular student.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

August 6, 1937.

Mrs. Ethel Mae Warren,
Postoffice Box 148,
Deerfield, Florida.

My dear M[illegible] Warren,

Thank you very much for your daughter's application. We will be happy to have her as a member of our student body this year.

We regret to state that NYA aid is offered only to College students in any large amounts. Bethune-Cookman is allowed two or three high school grants of $6.00 a month each, but they are usually given to Daytona Beach students. We have no industrial scholarship aid that has not been allocated for 1937-38. It is impossible, therefore, for us to promise help on your daughter's expenses.

We hope that you may be able to send her to us as a regular student.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student Aid

August 6, 19[illegible]

Miss Miriam C. Reyer
614 Portage Avenue
South Bend, Indiana

Dear Miss Reyer:

Thanks very much for your interesting letter of August 1, and for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. It thrills me greatly to know that it is your desire to help some girl through college.

The annual tuition, for one student a year at Bethune-Cookman, is $51.00. If you will send $51.00 for two years it will enable some girl to complete her Junior College work. As you no doubt know, Bethune-Cookman College is a Junior College, which means that a student receives only one-half of his four years of college work. I would be very happy to have you make it possible for some worthy girl to complete her junior work here at Bethune-Cookman College each year.

Please know that I am grateful to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman and for your desire to help some girl through college.

I hope you will continue to go forward in life with a desire to help and make it possible for your infortunate sisters and brothers to have a chance in life.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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August 9, 1937.

Mr. Abram L. Simpson,
303 South Hazel Street,
Hope, Arkansas.

My dear Mr. Simpson,

I am at home now and have received your letter. I want you to come down as soon as possible and convenient.

Do you plan to bring Mrs. Simpson with you? If you do, I shall be glad to make both of you comfortable in my home until we can get your living situation adjusted.

I have this entire month for rest and for setting up our plans here. We need to have a real check-up on what we are to do. I want to discuss faculty salaries with you in order that we may get our offers for 1937-38 to teachers as soon as possible.

Please let me know just when we may expect you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Faculty

August 10, 1937.

Mr. Henry M. L. James,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. James,

I have gone very carefully into the matter of the housing of Mr. Simpson since my conference with you yesterday. I went over the Anderson house and I think the best thing for us to do will be to have Mr. Simpson occupy this house and you continue your residence at the Trailsend apartment.

I can never tell you how deeply grateful I am for the spirit of cooperation that you are giving to us in the solving of this problem. I believe, however, that we can make our best arrangements in the manner indicated above.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 10, 1938

Dear Mr. Simpson:

We thought about you yesterday evening and last night, and hoped that you would have in your audience a VERY rich lady, who would be so impressed with the movies, Mrs. Bethune and you that she would - immediately - get in touch with her attorneys and have transferred to Bethune-Cookman College, about two or three hundred thousand dollars. It really doesnt hurt to have a vivid imagination, does it?

The work here continues to move along smoothly. Mrs. Davis has not been well for two or three days and is still in the bed. Her sister-in-law is doing the work of helping in the kitchen, directing Carson and the boys. Mr. Stanton has gone, after doing a beautiful job of getting Mr. Ross oriented. They worked out the entire July report, set up the accounts for the new year, and he gave Mr. Ross instructions as to the work as he wanted it done. This gives Mr. Ross a fine start.

My attention is called to the fact that the gross amount of the water bills is $96.70 and the net amount $87.04. The latter will prevail until August 17. If we pay the bill by that time, we will save a discount of $9.66. Please let me know if this is to be paid. The bill for Trailsend, not included in the above is $4.90 gross and $4.41 net. Let me know if this should also be paid to save the discount, and charged to your account.

There is obvious need of funds on the part of some of our monthly employees and I am suggesting that we be paid for the first two weeks in August, on August 15th. This will bring relief particularly to two of the folks - (Ross and Gramling) - and will be welcomed by us all. This procedure was followed on one or two occasions before. I made up the payroll for your signature, since it is not the usual procedure. We have checks enough to do this, and will help the general personal situation.

The Monday morning Cash report is enclosed. There is no change today, with the exception of $1.00 received, and the petty cash check issued. The Petty Cash is being used for about everything, you know. I asked Mr. Ross for the recapitulation, covering today's check, and it is also enclosed.

I am forwarding some letters to you direct, to the New York address. I am holding the information re French-English candidates until all has come in and will send it all at one time for your selection.

Sincerely,

August 10th, 1937.

Dr. M. J. Holmes,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

My dear Dr. Holmes,

May I thank you for your recent letters, and for your generous check for one thousand dollars for our repair items. I am sure you know what this means to us at this time. When it came we were having a great rainstorm and the water was pouring down in our Auditorium. We must have another roof there, and get it on as quickly as we possibly can. We are going forward with many needed repairs. We shall send you a definite, detailed statement of each item of repair expenditure.

I wired you and also Mr. Simpson, when he was in Chicago recently, to make some connection with each other. If you saw him I would appreciate a statement of your impression of him and any suggestions that you may have regarding our program. I am hoping that we may go very carefully into our Budget set-up next week, having had this statement from your Board as to what we may expect. We hope to be able to present the tentative Budget statement to you for 1937-38 very soon.

I am at home for a month for rest. I shall break into my vacation by going to Tuskegee on the twentieth, to give their summer school commencement address. During the time I am here we will try to get things set up and in readiness for the Fall work.

Our summer sessions have been very successful. Things seem to be on the upgrade for us generally. In the same mail with your check for one thousand dollars for repairs came a gift of one thousand dollars toward our endowment. This is very gratifying and encouraging to me. We must secure the proper endowment for our Institution.

I have noted, in your statement of appropriation, that the Board is providing five hundred dollars in the regular item, specifically for the reduction of our deficit, and to be paid on notes. As you recall, the first one thousand dollars sent on the regular appropriation, and the five hundred dollars as a first payment on repairs, were used to close out our promissory note at the Bank. If your Board will send us this special five hundred dollars, we can replace the amount used from the repair fund, thus making it available for use also. We are in need of as much cash as possible to proceed with the repairs during the summer. There are so many things that we must get finished between the close of the summer session and the opening of the fall session.

I hope that you are well and are getting some rest during the summer. How is the little son?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

August 11, 1937.

Charleston Woman's Improvement League,
Mrs. B. A. Brooks,
Shrewsbury Street,
Charleston, West Virginia.

My dear Friends,

I send this note to express my deep gratitude for your recent contribution of ten dollars to our Institution. This amount has been added to the total raised by the Emergency Campaign among Negroes, with the credit given to West Virginia. I enclose official receipt for the amount sent.

Please continue prayerful for us and use your influence and help in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

August 11, 1937.

Mrs. Agnes Sinclair,
Home Makers Club,
West Virginia Collegiate Institute,
Institute, West Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Sinclair,

We wish to express our sincere gratitude to you for your recent contribution of five dollars to our Institution. This means so much to us at this time. We have added this to our Emergency Campaign total.

We enclose official [illegible]eipt for your gift. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Just know that my own people have given me great encouragement and help through their generous support of our work this year.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 12, 1937.

My dear Mrs. Richardson,

Your services to Bethune-Cookman College have been satisfactory and acceptable. We have enjoyed your fellowship and your fine spirit of cooperation.

I am happy to state that it is our purpose to retain you on our staff during the present year. Mrs. Mitchell will be your special director and will guide your activities in carrying forward our promotion program.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mrs. Ethel L. Richardson,
Bethune-Cookman College.

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Faculty

August 13, 1937.

Mr. Kenneth D. Days
529 Larkin Street
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Days,

Upon my arrival here a few days ago, your letter from Atlanta was called to my attention.

I think of you with a great deal of pride and appreciation. Your stay at Bethune-Cookman College has been so wholesome and so pleasant to us. Your spirit of cooperation has never waned, from the moment you came until this time when you are leaving the work. The influence of your life has been a fine example to our students. You made a contribution to Bethune-Cookman College that cannot be paid for in dollars and cents. I want you to know how deeply we appreciate the services you have rendered and now that your coveted opportunity has come, we rejoice with you that you have reached the goal you seek. We are loath to give you up here but we are happy to know that what you desire is now within your reach.

May I wish for you great success. May many friends be raised up for you in your business life, and may you make the contribution in loyalty, efficiency, courtesy and cooperation in the business world that you have made to Bethune-Cookman College. Blessings upon you and your beautiful young wife. May you grow together and may God multiply your blessings according to your desires.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done.

August 14, 1937

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bryant
2434 Washington Avenue
Scranton, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Bryant:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering and that this amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 14 - 1937.

President W. R. Banks,
Prairie View College,
Prairie View, Texas.

My dear Dr. Banks,

I just want to thank you again for the courtesies extended me on my recent visit to Texas.

I cannot tell you how much it meant to me to receive your generous contribution of $153.27 toward the Emergency Campaign. This has been reported to the National Committee, in order that it may be reported as a part of the total of this Drive. My own people have added years to my life through their cooperation and help in this Drive.

I am in Florida for this month, resting and working on our set-up for next year.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 14 - 1937.

Mrs. B. A. Brooks,
Charleston Woman's
Improvement League,
Shrewsbury Street,

Charleston, West Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Brooks,

We send this note to thank you again for the contribution of your League to the Emergency Campaign for Bethune-Cookman College. I am unable to express in words the gratification I feel and the encouragement and stimulus which is mine as a result of the support of my own people during this past year. May God bless each one of you for all that you have done for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

August 14, 1937.

Premier Home Makers Club of
the Lucy Thurman Branch,
Young Women's Christian Association,
Elizabeth Street,
Detroit, Michigan.

My dear, dear Friends,

I send this note to express again, the deep appreciation of our Institution for your recent contribution of five dollars to our Emergency Campaign.

I can never tell you how greatly we appreciate the help which our own people have given us this year. It has been a real help and stimulus to me in my national work.

We enclose official receipt for your gift. May each member of your club sense our appreciation for your interest. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 15, 1938

My dear Mr. Simpson:

I have received both of your letters and thank you for the information and instructions.

The enclosed cash report will indicate that we have paid the water bill and the salaries. I think I told you of paying $50.00 to the Poinsettia Dairy. They seemed to be so urgent. I also faced an emergency for Mrs. Bethune, for which I had to get $35.00, as you will note. All in all, there are no new bills, and these payments do not deplete the treasury too seriously. We received some payments on old student accounts, included in the lot the money from the State Rehabilitation Board for closing the accounts of Thelma Boynton and Edna Stone. Also, Mr. Fillebrown sent $100. to close his pledge.

Upon the receipt of your letter I talked with Mr. Poole and let him know that you felt the outlay of $75.00 for the tractor work too much. He went all around Saturday and this morning and has found a man - a Mr. Beverly, of the Buckeye Dairy, who will do the entire 32 acres for $30.00. He can start the last of this week, or Monday. This looks very much better, doesnt it? Mr. Poole does not intend to do all of the seeding now, but he felt it best to have all of the land turned now, to avoid any future delays.

I enclose the financial report for July 31st. I have gone over it and find it all right, with one exception. The salary of the publicity director is charged to salary of President's secretary, in Administration, and will have to be transferred by journal entry in August. I have made a note of this for Mr. Ross.

Mr. Browning eludes me - I havent been able to get him over telephone yet. I will continue trying, however, and will let you know as soon as I receive the information, the amount of our bill there. Of course, we are doing nothing until this information is in hand and sent to you.

Mrs. Richardson arrived last night. Her report shows total receipts in the amount of $152.75. Her expense total is $44.11, plus the $100.00 for two months' salary. There is a little margin on the right side. She will go to Jacksonville this afternoon, returning Saturday morning. I shall leave Sunday afternoon, the 21st and return Sunday morning, September 4th.

About NYA. We have worked up a circular letter to those who are writing for blanks now, see enclosed "a". In special cases (football or music) we do not send this letter, of course. There has been a perfect avalanche of applications within the last eight days. We are sending the letter "b" to those whose applications are approved, and a postal card "c" to those whose applications are rejected. The four factors in the letter are made up from the type of notice that Howard University sends out. I shall leave the list complete for your information - in the event you should need it while I am still in Kentucky.

Just one more thing. Our counter-signed checks are out. I did not know, of course, that they were so low, but Mr. Ross, being new, did not notice until this morning. We had to issue a check to Mrs. Richardson for her last expense report - in order that her cash report might be complete - and he discovered then that there were no more counter-signed by you. I am sending 18, and I think they will be enough for the wages and petty cash, until you return. Mr. Poole is letting the carpenter off and putting the plasterer on. He will not use both at the same time. I enclose stamped, self-addressed envelope for the return of these checks. Please see that they are registered, as they will be valuable after you sign them.

You did not answer me about Mrs. Hines, of the Laundry, and the application of Elcee Lucas for the Rees Loan. Please let me know if you care to give approval on either of these matters.

What did Mr. Jackson Davis say? I hope you were able to convince him of our great need for a Library. By the way, we still need a Librarian, Domestic Science teacher, final action on the French-English Teacher and Director of Women. Miss Paige, Mrs. Davis' sister, has called to our attention the fact that Miss McGuinn's sister ([illegible]. at Tallahassee - Miss McGuinn, I mean, not the sister) is available for this work. She has had special training in this work. Miss Paige is writing her to make application for the work here. I am writing Mrs. Bethune about this also. You will not make final decisions on these matters, in all probability, until you return. I just want to keep them before you.

"M U S T" is right.

How is Walter? Love to him and to Mrs. Simpson.

Sincerely yours,

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August 18, 1937

Mrs. Henrietta Counts
Lake Maffopac, New York

Dear Mrs. Counts:

In reply to your letter of August 10, I wish to advise that we do not take students below the 10th grade. It maybe that you could get your daughter in the Campbell Street High School. You may communicate with the Principal - Mr. T. B. Dansby, 612 Verdell Street, Daytona Beach, Florida.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 18, 1938

My dear Mr. Simpson:

I received your letter of August 16, with money order enclosed - $40.00 from the New York Bethune-Cookman Club. To whom should I sent receipt? Arent we the most prosperous organization!

We received $61.19 from Abyssinian Baptist Church, and have already sent receipt. Mr. Cobb sent in $25.00 from the Holly Hill tenant, for August. The Board of Education sent in an additional $600.00 for repairs. This came in today.

I have received Mr. Browning's itemized statement for the work done August 1-14, and the total is $501.12, for material and labor. I shall not send the itemized bill, but will place it in your folder for study when you return.

The enclosures are self-explanatory. Isnt the Advocate beautiful? I ran out of letterheads, too, and as Mr. Burgman told me that you had talked with him on the possibility of printing 5,000 letterheads, I just asked him to make 500 "on account." We furnished the paper, of course. Nice, arent they?

The Coach came down and talked with us about the football. For those whom we already have listed for NYA, he asked that I have them report September 1st. He is bringing four fellows with him and we have provided for them under NYA.

Our NYA allocation, as you know, is $645.19 monthly. We have a total for approved applications, of $604.50. This will leave you a little margin for other football fellows, or for any others who may be "potential" assets to the school. (Note Mrs. Richardson's word.)

Obviously you did not receive my air-special sent to Tupper Lake, on August 8th, for you have not answered the questions I asked. 1 - What about Elcee Lucas' loan of $16.50 from the Rees Loan Fund? 2 - Do you approve paying Mr. Lucas weekly - should his work be closed with the releasing of The Advocate? I suggest that he start putting the additional names on the list after you return and we can discuss the strain on our Publicity budget. 3 - What is your reaction to Mrs. Hines (Laundry) request for a $30 advance on her next year's wages, refundable weekly by the retention of one-half of her wages? She comes to see me every day about this.

Please let me hear from you on these matters by return air-special, as I want to close out everything Saturday. I shall leave the correspondence from prospective teachers, NYA and General Scholarship lists, etc. with Elouise. She will forward all mail that looks important and hold all that looks unimportant. Or, since you are moving around rapidly, hold it all unless you request her to do otherwise.

Please return the checks and send answers to my questions, Mr. Simpson.

It is very hot here, too, so I know that Washington is terrible.

I shall be so glad to get home, though I know it will be very hot there also.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

August 19, 1938

My dear Mr. Simpson :

I have read your letter of August 17th with care.

I have noted the statements concerning the Cafeteria and Domestic Science Project. This is very good, and in our "stack" of NYA applications rejected, we will, no doubt, find 15 people to benefit from this. The selection of 15 and the correspondence incident to finding out if they want such training, replies, etc. are too much for me now. It will have to be held in abeyance for these few days, and when you return, and I return, we can go over the applications and get this work set up. Meanwhile, I am sending copy of the Project to Mr. Youngblood (I have sent it once, you know) and copy to you, so you may refresh your mind on it.

I note your statement regarding Lucas. I just wanted to be sure of your feeling in this matter. The reference I made to Mrs. Hines was in the letter I sent you to Tupper Lake. I have referred to it since in subsequent letters. I hope my judgment is fair on this. At any rate, I shall have her sign a statement for the advance.

Mr. Poole states the plastering that is being done requires a plasterer. There is, of course, no doubt that he and the boys can do the calsomining. He needs the plasterer this week and the balance of, or rather three days next week. He is paying him $4.50 a day. Mr. Poole's idea is to get the buildings in shape for the opening of school. I have stated to him that we must compromise in this, because of the financial situation. $600.00 more came in for repairs yesterday. I told you that Mr. Browning's bill is already over $500.00. Poole has let the carpenter go this week, in order to use the plasterer. I shall be sure of the Advocate release next week, and Mr. Lucas can close his work then. We have to make up this outlay from Publicity and Promotion somehow.

I sent Mrs. Bethune a letter from an applicant for Domestic Science work. She will discuss this with you. I send the correspondence with the three people you are considering for French-English. I shall have Elouise pick out the general applications for Library, and for Domestic Science and send them to you (Monday) to the Rogers Rock address.

Thelma Nixon is away and Mr. Ross is unable to make up the report for the summer school without her cooperation in the matter of paid bills from the files, etc. I can only say that the cash balance according to the check book, is $397.56.

Mr. Simpson -

You will soon be here and can personally direct this repair work. I feel that we have to rely a great deal on Mr. Poole's judgment and experience - always keeping him impressed, however - with the fact that we have a limited amount to spend. Everything will be suspended, more or less, during the interval following my leaving and your returning. I dont approve of having the plumbing resumed until you do return. These bills can jump so rapidly, you know.

Marcia is very much excited over the prospect of her "vacation." I wish I shared her enthusiasm.

Sincerely,

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August 19, 1937.

Miss Elvessie A. Fears,
216 South 3rd Street,
Frederick, Oklahoma.

My dear Miss Fears:

Thanks for your interesting letter of August 13. In the future direct all communications regarding NYA aid to 1740 G Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

I would suggest that you write to the president of Langston University, stating your case, asking for NYA scholarship aid, and I am sure that he will give your application the proper consideration. Meanwhile, if you still need my assistance, after filing your application, you may write me at my Washington office, giving complete details, and I shall be happy to do whatever I can to help you.

Sincerely yours,

Director, Division of
Negro Affairs.

August 19, 1937

Miss Abbie M. Johnson
Grand Daughter Ruler
I. B. P. O. E.
1639 Wharton Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Miss Johnson:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and Mrs. [redacted]erson for your generous contribution of $3.50 to our Emergency Campaign.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. It means so much to us to have an active friend such as you. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 19, 1937

Mr. Carl Van Vechten
101 Central Park West
New York City

My dear Mr. Vechten:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $10.00 to our Emergency Campaign.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. It means so much to us to have an active friend such as you. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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General

August 21, 1937.

President Charles Sumner Long,
Edward Waters College,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Friend:

Bethune-Cookman College has just closed her thirty-third year of work, with a most successful record. In points of enrollment, calibre of students, organization of curriculum, preparation of teaching staff and maintenance of budget, the past year - 1936-37 - has been most encouraging. The College constituency now turns its eyes to the NEXT STEP in the future progress of the Institution.

We wish to express sincere gratitude to our Community, County and State for the cooperation given to us during the past year. The steady progress of the work is due largely to the confidence and help of the community. We seek your continued help as we go forward.

In order to strengthen our facilities for the maintenance of an annual budget without deficit, and in the raising of an endowment of $500,000, we have appointed a strong man to assist me- Mr. Abram L. Simpson - to be known ad Acting President of the Institution. While my national duties in behalf of the fourteen millions of Negroes in the country is absorbing so much of my time, he will be right here on the firing line, helping us with the momentous task of operating Bethune-Cookman College.

Mr. Simpson comes to us well-trained, and with valuable experience in educational administrative work. For the past five years he has been the president of Allen University, Columbia, South Carolina. He has the full confidence of the General Education Board, the Slater Board and other philanthropic agencies.

I am requesting the friends who have stood by us all of these years to give Mr. Simpson the cooperation and helpful suggestion that they have given to me during these thirty-three years.

We are working together - administrative heads, faculty, alumni and friends - for an Institution that will give the maximum in service to the young people who come to us year by year.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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P.S. Letters were sent to the following persons, as per reverse side:

Hon. Colin English
State Superintendent of Public Instruction
Tallahassee, Florida

Mr. D. E. Williams
State Agent for Negro Schools
Tallahassee, Florida

Mr. George W. Mark
Volusia County Superintendent
of Public Instruction
DeLand, Florida

President J R E Lee
Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida

President Charles Sumner Long
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

President N W Collier
Florida Normal and Collegiate Institute
Saint Augustine, Florida

Prof. W. E. Treleor
Supervising Principal of Public Schools
Daytona Beach, Florida

August 21, 1937.

Mrs. Julia A. Green,
2909 Nance Street,
Houston, Texas.

My dear Mrs. Green:

Thanks very much for your beautiful letter of July 26, and the lovely poem which it contained. Your consideration of me and the cause that I represent is most gratifying to me at this time. My delay in answering your letter is due to my infrequency at Bethune-Cookman College, I am only in Daytona Beach about once or twice a month, looking after the business of the College.

My responsibilities are growing daily, and I am giving the best that I have to help integrate the American Negro into worth while programs of the world. God is wonderfully blessing me with health and vision. Be prayerful for me.

Blessings upon you and those to whom you have pledged your allegiance in support of christian principles.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 24, 1937

Daniels

Mrs. S. Z. FauntLeroy
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. FauntLeroy:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $10.00 to the Emergency Campaign of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 24, 1937

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Mrs. Addie W. Dickerson
628 S. 16th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Dickerson:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to your for your personal check of $8.00 covering various contributions to our Emergency Campaign.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of $8.00. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 24, 1937

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Miss Elise Dupuch
Nassau U. P,
Bahamas

Dear Miss Dupuch:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 24, 1937.

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Mr. John B. Kelly,
Franklin Trust Building,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Kelly:

Please may I thank you for your generous contribution of $20.00 to maintenance of Bethune-Cookman. Your interest in us at this time is doubly pleasing.

We hope that your interest in our program will be strengthened as the days go by.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

August 23, 1937.

Mrs. Anne M. Cummins
1314 Chaplin Street
Wheeling, West Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Cummins:

Thanks very much for your letter of August 20.

I regret exceedingly that any mention was made regarding an additional pledge from you.

We wish to solicit your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. Your influence with friends will be doubly interesting to us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 25, 1937.

President M. W. Dogan,
Wiley College,
Marshall, Texas.

My dear President Dogan:

Thanks for your letter of August 24, I would advise that you have the boys referred to communicate with the president of the school they desire to get fellowship aid of the NYA, stating fully the nature of their request, and I am sure due consideration will be given them.

We do not have a special allocation for the grant they are asking but from the fund set aside for schools such grants may be made. I would also advise that you communicate with Mr. Kellam, who is the State worker there, asking his cooperation in helping to put these cases through.

Blessings upon you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.
Director, Division Negro Affairs.

August 25, 1937.

Miss Effie Pearson,
729 Leon Street,
Lake City, Florida.

My dear Miss Pearson:

Thanks very much for your letter of recent date.

As to your qualifications, I would like to know what type of work are you best suited for? What cash have you to begin with?

You will find enclosed an application blank form which you will kindly fill out and return to this office at once. Under separate cover we are mailing you one of 1937-38 catalogs.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 26, 1937.

Miss Lou Ella Washington,
2126 Northwest 4th Court,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Miss Washington.

Thanks so much for your letter of August 23.

Enclosed you will find application form and a 1937 Catalog, which will an idea of our requirements.

We welcome fine young women to our school. Freshman Week begins September 9.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

August 27, 1937.

Mrs. Alfred I. duPont
Epping Forest
San Jose
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mrs. duPont:

I have been reading very interestingly how gracious you have been to others during the years. I have watched very diligently the activities of the duPonts here in Florida, and the beautiful contributions they have made to other sections of the country, which is most gratifying.

I would like very much to be given an opportunity to call on you some time when I am in Jacksonville, and chat a little regarding the program of our Instution.

For the past thirty-three years I have assumed the task of training boys and girls for good citizenship. How well I have succeeded in accomplishing this end, can be told by people throughout the country.

I am enclosing you one of our pamphlets, which will give you an idea of how earnestly we have worked. I hope that you will read it very carefully.

Recently we have launched a campaign for a $500,000 endowment fund. For many years we have felt the need for endowment funds to assure the annual maintenanse Budget. Until we can secure such an endowment, we must depend largely upon philanthropic friends and organizations to help us.

I am writing to solicit your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. Please know that we will be grateful for anything that you can do to help us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 28, 1937

Mrs. Addie W. Dickerson
628 S. 16th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

My dear Mrs. Dickerson;

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your personal check of $8.00 covering various contributions to our Emergency Campaign.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of $8.00 Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. It means so much to us to have an active friend such as you.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 28, 1937

Miss Elsie Dupuch
Nassau, Bahamas

Dear Miss Dupuch:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $10.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. This amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College. We are so very greatful to you for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 28, 1937.

Mrs. J. Simmons,
230 3rd Avenue, South
Saint Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Simmons:

I did not have the privilege of meeting you while you were visiting at Bethune-Cookman College, but I was happy to know of your interest in our work here. Some of my workers have spoken very highly of you graciousness to us.

Miss Laetitia E. Williams, our Art teacher told me of the material gifts that you desire to make to our Institution, if we would send some one for them. I would like very much to drive down in one of the school's cars for the gifts, some time during next week, however, I would be pleased to have you advise me the best time to call.

We hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman College will continue to grow.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 28, 1937

Mr. H. T. Miller
4055 Warner Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Miller:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to the Emergency Campaign of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

August 30, 1937

Mr. E. C. Horton
Shelby, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Horton:

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to the Golden Book of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 31, 1937.

Mr. Effie Ponder
1317 5th Avenue
Saint Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Effie:

It happens that Mrs. Mitchell is away on her vacation and your letter was turned over to me for reply. It is so strange that I do not see more of you and Doctor Ponder these days. It is always a pleasure to hear from you.

I am so happy to know that the children are getting along well. How is our big girl?

Tell Ponder that I do not want him to continue to play with the Night Club in Atlanta. He does not have to do that type of work. I fear that his environment will sap his iniative for the more important things, which we want him to contribute to Negro history.

Yes, we will only be too glad to do anything that we can to help you with Alyce. I can appreciate your struggles at this time. Find enclosed an NYA application blank, which you will have her fill in and return to this office on receipt of the same, as the time for filing these applications is expiring.

Write me some time when you have a little leisure time.

I am in Florida now for a few weeks rest. I am leaving tomorrow for American Beach, Fernandina, Florida for the week-end. I will be on the campus all of next week.

Remember me kindly to Doctor Ponder and the family.

Sincerely yours,
Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 31, 1937.

Mrs. Pet Packard
Orange Lake, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Packard:

Thank you for your consideration of our Institution. , I regret to say that you son is too young to enter our school at this time.

We hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman will continue to grow.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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August 31, 1937

Mr. Thomas Davis
1701 - 5th Avenue
Tampa, Florida

Dear Mr. Davis:

Enclosed please find receipt for $1.00, which amount has been sent to Bethune-Cookman College for Freshman week Fee.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Re: Dramatic Art

August 31, 1937.

Mrs. Daisy Dimitry
2210 Mars Avenue
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Dimitry:

Thank you for your beautiful letter of August 27. I read it with deep appreciation and understanding. I do think that you are doing a splendid day's work in the field of Dramatic Art.

I wish so much that I knew of a permanent position that I could refer you to. I do not know of a vacancy in our setup at this time. I shall be glad to keep you in mind, in the event an opening developes, I shall only be too glad to get in touch with you.

I thoroughly enjoyed the conference with you when I was in Jacksonville. I do hope that a greater opportunity will come to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
Director, Division Negro Affairs.

General Correspondence (Outgoing) Sept.-Oct. 1937

September 1, 1937.

Rev. J. W. Robinson
Rt.2, Box 6
Starke, Florida.

My dear Rev. Robinson:

Thank you for your interesting letter letter, and the information regarding your fine son.

I regret to inform you that I am not in position to receive your son for study here at Bethune-Cookman. We only take students from the 11th grade through Junior College work.

We do appreciate your interest in our Institution, and sincerely hope that we may serve you in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 1, 937.

Miss Callie Marie Walker
1444 West 15th Street
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Miss Walker:

I have read your letter of August 30, with a great deal of interest.

I wish so much that we had something that we could offer you, but our College accept students from the 11th grade through second year college work.

I would suggest that you just hold your chin up and go to one of the public schools there in Jacksonville and enter for the school year. These schools can give you the desired help. I can appreciate your position, having been out of school for a number of years, but you have nothing to feel embarrassed over. I consider this to be the most potent step that you could take at this time. Just go to the principal of the school you select and tell him your circumstances and I am reasonably sure he will do whatever he can to assist you. After you shall have completed your high school work there, apply to Mrs. Bethune, and I will see what I can do to help you get a College education.

Keep in touch with us. I am always happy to encourage young women like yourself.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 1, 1937.

Mr. W D Cook
325 11th Street, North
Saint Petersburg, Florida

My dear Mr. Cook:

Enclosed you will find an Information Catalog, also NYA application blank. You may fill the latter out and return to this office at once. I am not sure we can secure NYA aid for you, as the time for filing applications is expiring and there are more than two hundred applications on our file at this time. After filling in blank go before a Notary Public and have it notarized.

We welcome fine boys and girls to Bethune-Cookman, but they must have bearing.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 1, 1937.

Miss Mattie Austin
Box 931
Avon Park, Florida.

My dear Miss Austin:

Enclosed you will find an Information Catalog, which gives complete details regarding entrance to our College.

If you desire to live in the city, it will be necessary for you to furnish this office with the name of the person whom you desire to take quarters with, so that the Student Aid Committee may be able to observe the surroundings. Upon receipt of this information we will advise you fully. If this permission is granted you will have to pay your monthly tuition and entrance fees.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

September 2, 1937.

Miss Vivian Phelt
803 Van Buren Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Vivian:

Thank you for your beautiful letter of August 20. It was lovely of you to write me.

I regret so much that you will not be able to return to Bethune-Cookman for the 1937 term,. however, I am pleased to note that you are ambitious and plans to work this winter in support of your mother. Try to save your extra pennies looking forward to entering our school next Summer.

Blessings upon you and your dear mother, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 3, 1938

1812 Ninth St. N. W.

Mr. Abram L. Simpson
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Simpson:

I hope you found things in good condition when you reached Daytona Beach.

I think Mrs. Curtis' recommendation will be a good one. I have great confidence in her judgment for the library. I hope you have gotten in touch with Miss Moore of New York for the work in the dormitory. In my mind, I think she will do our work for us. I am still conderned about the domestic science work. I have in mind, Mrs. Essie Robinson Jones, who worked for us some years ago. Consult Mrs. Mitchell and Mrs. Davis as to the feasibility of using her. She did a good day's work for us while there. Miss Paige will be able to tell you something about her. You may have someone better in mind for this work. If so, use your own judgment. The woman I thought of from Tuskegee has taken over the Grill Room at Tuskegee and will not be able to come to us. Let us not rush into this even if we have to get a substitute for a time being, but let us take the time and secure the right person. My secretary has just told me that Essie Robinson Jones is in the city. If I can get hold of her, I will talk with her. I will not make any definite arrangement with her. I simply want someone who will be practical and work right into the program of the school.

I shall put forth every effort to be home for the opening of school. I may not reach there until the 17th or 18th, but I will be there. I shall send to Mrs. Mitchell a very full letter of things I hope to be brought to your attention regarding our business committee, that will be of advantage to us in the running of the school this year.

I am sending a little boy down to the school whose name is Vernon Griffin. I would like for you to see him and do what you can to help get him settled into the work there. I do not know his academic training. I am writing the Dean concerning him today to have him see if he will fit into our high school program there. He will live at my house until school opens and then he will go into the dormitory so that he will have that dormitory life. Any consideration you might show him will be appreciated by me.

I note you are contacting Mr. Youngblood. I hope you will make the project clear so that it will have his approval and cooperation. I shall be interested to know how things are going. I note that Bennett is having a windfall of blessings. The nursery school will be interesting and the secretarial course will be fine for the school. The General Education Board is finding money to do the things they want to do. I am hoping they may see fit to help us with our library.

Love to all.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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September 3, 1937

Mrs. E. Nathan White
The Notch Mountain House
Hunter, New York

Dear Mrs. White:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and Mr. White for your generous contribution of $5.00 to our Emergency Campaign.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. It means so much to us to have an active friend such as you. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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September 4, 1937.

Miss Rosa M. Douglas
22 Street Station
Saint Petersburg, Florida

My dear Miss Douglas:

We find it impossible to grant you NYA aid at this time. However, the committee is anxious that you make every possible effort to come to school this fall meeting all your obligations as they fall due and you will be that much farther on in your quest for an education.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 6 - 1937.

Mr. Abram L. Simpson
Bethune-Cookman College

Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Simpson,

I feel that these days of conference and planning together have been most valuable. I am sure you have studied the program here sufficiently well to decide whether you will accept or reject the responsibility that is involved here.

We have studied you sufficiently well to formally extend to you the rights and privileges of an Acting President of our Institution, firmly believing in your qualifications and ability to conduct its program. We believe that your affiliation here will mean much to the permanency of our work. We submit for your consideration, therefore, an offer of salary in the amount of three thousand ($3,000) dollars for this year, effective as of August 15, 1937, plus an unfurnished house and garage. When the house is made available the responsibility for fuel, light and water costs will be yours.

I shall be very happy to have you and your family share my home with my children and me until your cottage is ready.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 7, 1937

Donors

Mr. J. E. T. Whisenant
Creighton, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Whisenant:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $0.56 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifstation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 7, 1937

Dr. M. J. Holmes
The Board of Education of the
Methodist Episcopal Church
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Dr. Holmes:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your check in the amount of $6.00 covering designated gifts received during July for Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of the check. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

September 9, 1937.

Mr. Hubert T. Delaney,
Department of Taxes and Assessments,
Borough of Manhattan,
Municipal Building,
New York City.

My dear Friend,

The enclosed material will be self-explanatory to you. Please note Mr. Moses' letter and make arrangement for the necessary representation for Bethune-Cookman College if this is what should be done. I know you will know just what steps to take.

For your information I enclose copy of our Articles of Incorporation. This information may be needed .

[illegible] shall write you fully within a few days.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

September 11, 1937

Miss Ruth Gainer,
Gretna, Florida.

Dear Miss Gainer:

Thank you very much for your letter of September 9th.

I am entirely sympathetic with your desire to continue your training in Meharry Medical College, but I regret my inability - my total inability - to make a personal loan to you to help you through. I do hope that you may be able to secure funds through some other medium.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 11 - 1937.

General

Miss Jacqueline DeShazor,
DeShazor's Beauty Academy,
809 Fayetteville Street,
Durham, North Carolina.

My dear Miss DeShazor:

Your recent letter has interested me very much. I think it is very fine for you and your sisters to start such a splendid venture in the training of young women in Beauty Culture.

It would give me great pleasure to be able to say to you that I will come to you on one of the dates you have mentioned. I have been away from my Washington office all of August and this part of September, however, and will be held there for attention to many matters when I return on September 16th.

I shall hope to be able to serve you at some time in the near future.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 11, 1937.

Mr. Gerald E. Allen,
224 West 135th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Allen,

The reports of your activities and of your expenses have reached my desk here in Florida. I have been here for some weeks, trying to get things adjusted and get school opened up for the year.

I realize the difficulty you are having in raising funds and I am wondering how much farther we can go without production. I understand that you are preparing the ground, but we must have some returns. I have read your report with a great deal of interest and hope that your contacts will prove financially beneficial. It is very hard for us to sustain the program when no cash at all is coming in. Mrs. Jesse Merrick Smith is one of the old friends of the school, who will send in her contribution without personal solicitation. The way she can help you is by directing you to some of her friends who may not know of the work now. You must not consider the money coming in from the effort of the Iota Phi Lambda girls as having any connection with your own program.

I am sure you can appreciate the fact, Mr. Allen, that it is very difficult for me to convince my trustees and business men and hold their faith in this type of expenditure, without some returns. I am in a great quandary as to what to do. I hope that September will bring some real results from your contacts. It would be better for the college to have you on the staff here until your contract is ended than to have this great expenditure on the field. Do you need an office in New York? Are you using the least expensive means of travel over the city? Are you living in New York? Is your wife with you? I am trying to think of something - anything that will help this situation. I am putting every spare moment of my own into the securing of maintenance funds. We are greatly pressed. If we cannot find the money to cover our field work we cannot carry it on. This continued board and room and travel, in addition to your salary, is a great strain.

I plan to go to New York sometime this month, or early in October. I am writing to Mrs. Sternberger today. We must all buckle down - here and there - to try to get some money. I shall return to my office in Washington on the 16th and will go to Chicago on the 17th. I shall return to Washington the week of the 20th.

Please, Mr. Allen, do not approach the Foundations at all. We have other plans for soliciting from them.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

September 11, 1937

Mrs. S. G. Colt,
16 Colt Road,
Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

My dear, dear Mrs. Colt,

May we express our deep and sincere appreciation for your continued friendship - your continued interest in our program here. You will never realize how much it means to me, in encouragement and stimulus, to have friends such as you to stand by our maintenance needs and help us to carry our program forward. May God bless you for all you are doing.

Your check for two hundred dollars has been received. You will be interested to know that it fills a real need in helping us to get ready for the opening of school. The interval between the close of summer school and the opening of the regular session is a very difficult one for us. Preparations for the opening are just made on faith in God and in our friends.

Last year was a fine justification of our Faith. The way looked very dark for many months, but in some miraculous way we were able to close the year with only a small deficit. I am sure Mrs. Jones and our other Pittsfield friends have told you of our progress and our plans and our needs.

May abundant blessings come to you for the great help you give to others.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Faculty
Re: position

September 13, 1937.

Miss Viola B. Goin,
873 Orchard Street,
New Haven, Connecticut.

My dear Miss Goin,

May we thank you for your letter of September 2nd, making application for a position on the teaching staff of our Institution for the ensuing year.

We are very much interested in your splendid qualifications, but we have no opening at this time, for which you might be considered. We shall be glad to file your letter for possible consideration should a vacancy occur in the near future in the department in which you are qualified to serve.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 13, 1937.

Attention Manager,
The National Blank and Book Company,
Holyoke, Massachusetts.

My dear Sir:

Because of the new and taxing problems that we are now confronted with, I am forced to seek your graciousness, in the matter of duplicating the usual lots of Notebooks and blanks in assorted sizes to our Institution this year.

We deeply appreciate your consideration of us in the past, and sincerely hope that you can find your way clear to assist us at this time.

With the reinforcement of our Commercial department we will appreciate any additional articles that you may add to your gift, which always brought relief to our financial stress.

With continued best wishes for your success in your work, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 13, 1937.

Mr. Leonard C. Archer,
Morehouse College,

Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Archer,

Your work at Bethune-Cookman College in the Department of English and Dramatics, during the scholastic year 1936-37, has been of great value to our Institution. We feel that you have the ability for very interesting and successful service in the field of teaching.

I am glad that the opportunity has come for you to continue your graduate study at the University of Toronto during this year. Bethune-Cookman College is very happy to grant you the time necessary for the completion of your work.

May we wish for you continued success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 13, 1937.

Mr. R. N. Moses,
Strathmore Paper Company,
West Springfield, Massachussetts.

My dear Mr. Moses:

Each year brings new and more taxing problems to my desk and I find it necessary to solicit your continued cooperation in the matter of sending to our Institution the usual lot of paper of assorted sizes and colors. This donation has meant so much to us in the past. We have been able to cut down on our expenses decidely, by using the paper which you have been so generous to give us in making posters, placards, and in a general way in the art department. We do hope that it will be possible for you to duplicate this courtesy, in this way this year.

With the reinforcement of our Commercial department this year, our need for paper will be double. Anything that you can add to the usual gift made to us each year, will be greatly appreciated.

Just know that your generosity in the past will linger with us at length.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

September 13 - 1937.

Miss Miriam C. Reyer,
614 Portage Avenue,

South Bend, Indiana.

My dear Miss Reyer,

It is so pleasant to receive your letter. It brings to my mind the kind reception given me by South Bend friends when I visited that section some years ago.

Bless you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. We have a splendid institution here and we are doing everything in our power to make our service more expansive and more effective. Our faith and our friends have stood by us loyally during thirty-three years of struggle and growth. We are so happy to know that you are joining the ranks of these friends.

The annual tuition charge for a college student in Bethune-Cookman is $51.00 (fifty-one dollars). Should you establish such a scholarship here, it would enable some worthy, promising and needy girl to go on with her work when, otherwise, she would have to drop out. We have so many of them, Miss Reyer, just begging for the chance for development. God's choicest blessings will be yours if such help is given.

I enclose a Bulletin of Information for prospective students, also some views of our campus.

With deep gratitude for your interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

September 13, 1937

Mrs. Jesse Merrick Smith,
Hotel Gramercy,
52 Gramercy Park,
New York City.

My dear, dear Mrs. Smith:

It has been such a long time since I have heard from you. I am sending this note to let you know that I will be in New York some time this Fall and I do hope I may see you and chat with you. I hope to get to New York the first of October.

I hope you are well and all goes well with you.

I have just sent out a full letter to the members of our Advisory Board, and I hope a copy has reached you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

September 14 - 1937.

Mr. John P. Davis,
South 16th and Fitzwater Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Davis,

Your letter of September 4th has just reached me. I have been here, there and everywhere during the past few weeks.

I know it is too late now to grant your request, but I am writing to thank you for your invitation and to ask that you to excuse me from the service you desire. I am rather tired and my throat is in very serious condition. I do not know just what my October program will be. I have been out of my Washington office for over a month and I cannot tell you just what schedule we will be able to arrange when I return there within the next few days.

I hope that I may be able to serve you at some time in the future. Meanwhile, please accept my best wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

September 14, 1937.

Mr. Roscoe White
1502 East Hatten Street
Pensacola, Florida

My dear White,

In compliance with your request for job placement in lieu of educational advantages has been received.

I regret to advise you that all jobs have been allocated for the present year. However, we are anxious that you make every possible effort to come to school this Fall meeting all of your obligations as they fall due.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Faculty
(in [illegible])

September 14, 1937.

Mr. Leonard C. Archer,
Morehouse College,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Archer,

In view of the letter you wrote to me last January, I did not once have it in my mind that you expected a communication regarding continued service at Bethune-Cookman College during this year. You stated very clearly your position in the matter. I hope there is nothing in your thinking to the effect that I have handicapped you because I did not write you.

This letter is for your personal eyes. I shall be very glad to make any statement that will be helpful to you in your graduate study. However, I want you always to think twice before you express yourself to a superior officer. Regardless of the amount of knowledge you acquire it will be of little service to you unless you can give it out. In order to do this you must respect the desires of those who provide the medium for your giving. These things are the secrets of growth for young workers.

I shall always be interested in you and wish for you success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 14, 1937.

Mr. Jules S. Scherer,
American Lead Pencil Company,
Hoboken, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

For the past two years we have felt so much the need of your usual contribution of pencils to our Institution. Because of the new and taxing problems that we are confronted with this year, we are forced to solicit your further cooperation in the matter of duplicating your usual gift to us.

We sincerely hope that you can find your way clear to grant this request, if so, the usual lots and colors of pencils are wanted.

We value with the deepest appreciation the past contributions of your firm.

With the reinforcement of our Commercial department, we are also seeking any additional articles that you may give us, incidental to the successful operation of this department.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 14, 1937.

Attention Manager,
The National Blank and Book Company,
Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

Because of the new and taxing problems that we are now confronted with, we are forced to seek your graciousness, in the matter of duplicating the usual lots of notebooks and blanks in assorted sizes to our Institution this year.

We deeply appreciate your consideration of our program in the past , and we sincerely hope that you can find your way clear to assist us at this time.

With the reinforcement of our Commercial department we will have need of additional articles for operation of the same. We will greatly appreciate any gift that you can add to the usual contribution, which have brought decided relief to our financial stress in the past.

With continued best wishes for your success in your work, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-elr

September 14, 1937.

My dear Mrs. Sykes,

Thank you for your interesting letter of September 11. I regret to inform you that NYA allocation for scholarship aid has been bequested, therefore, we will not be in position to extend to your daughter the help sought.

We hope that you can find your way clear to enter your daughter in Bethune-Cookman this year, paying all bills as they come due.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Mrs. Drue Cilla Sykes
Route 3, Box 640
Jacksonville, Florida

Students

September 14, 1937.

My dear Miss Spaulding,

Thank you for your interesting letter of September 3, and the information it contained.

I regret to advise you that your son is too young to enter Bethune-Cookman College. However, we would be pleased to have you keep in touch with us, and at such time that your son has completed his high school work, we shall be happy to have him enroll with us.

The use of your influence among friends in your community regarding the cultural atmosphere of our Institution, will be greatly appreciated by us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune;

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Miss Merles Spaulding
2308 Segovia Circle
Coral Gables, Florida

General

September 14, 1937.

Mr. Charles W. Greene,
Atlanta Life Insurance Company,

Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Mr. Greene,

Please accept our sincere gratitude for the fine portrait of the late Hon. A. F. Herndon. We shall place it upon our walls as an inspiration to the young men and women who pass through this Institution.

I was delighted with the progress that is being made in Atlanta. May continued success attend your efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Faculty

September 15 - 1937

Mr. N. M. Christopher,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Christopher,

As I watch these fine young people go to and fro on the campus - many of them here for the first time - I realize that your time, strength and influence have been generously given to help our enrollment this year. I am just taking the time from my busy tasks to express my deep gratitude to you for the fine job you have done for us this past summer.

Also, I want to express again, my confidence in your possibilities. I am happy that we have had the privilege of your affiliation here at the College. You have made a real contribution to the work, not only in the academic program, but through your spirit of cooperation and your conduct.

May I wish for you in your new position the success you richly deserve. The goal you seek will surely be reached through the medium of the splendid service you are rendering. As you go about your work in Daytona Beach, continue to give cooperation to our college program.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor
~~Personal~~

September 15, 1937.

Mrs. Bancroft C. Davis,
2410 Wyoming Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Davis,

The summer has passed, the fall is here, and we are re-opening school.

I hope that the summer has brought real rest and relaxation to you. You have been so gracious to us for all of these years - in so many, many ways. About this time of the year you usually send materials for our sewing department. I need not tell you how gratefully they are received, for it is difficult for us to secure supplies for the fall classes, after the difficulties of the summer. The materials mean so much in the training of the girls - giving them actual tools with which to work in the beginning. They mean funds for the work, also, to help pay the instructor, and to supplement the budget receipts, for the garments, carefully made, are sold during our tourist season. I do hope that you will make it possible for us to receive these materials this year. Just know that this donation always brings encouraging returns.

In the past you have also sent us bolts of orange color indian head, to make up runners for our dining hall tables. This gift also is of such great help.

As yet, the one thousand dollars that we owe you has not come into our hands to return to you. You have been so kind in extending our time, and I am hoping that the income of this fall will enable us to return this amount to you. Please keep your faith in us and know that we will send it to you at the earliest possible moment.

Sincerely, gratefully,

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Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

September 17, 1937.

Miss Annie Ruth Coleman,
908 North Sapodilla Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Miss Coleman,

Thank you very much for your recent letter, requesting aid toward your expenses in Bethune-Cookman College.

We regret to state that we have no further aid that we will be able to allocate. If you desire to enter this year as a full-time work student, earning this year to help yourself through class next year, we will be very glad to give you such an opportunity. You would not be able, under such a plan, to go to classes this year.

If you will accept this plan, please let us know.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

September 17, 1937.

Miss Helen Marian Greene,
Postoffice Box 2,
Port Tampa, Florida.

My dear Miss Greene:

I read with interest your letter of recent date. I deeply appreciate the accomplishment that is yours.

I would suggest that you write to Mrs. Iva T. Sprinkle, Director, Division of Education, Florida Works Progress Administration, Roberts Building, Jacksonville, Florida, giving her complete details as to your qualification and general bearing.

Any further communication regarding job placement on any of the Government projects should be directed to 1340 G Street, Northwest, Washington, D.C.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
Director, Division Negro Affairs.

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Student

September 17, 1937.

Miss Madean Juliet Pope,
Nichalsvillo, Alabama.

My dear Miss Pope:

In compliance with your letter of September 4, I wish to state.

NYA aid is dispensed through our College Presidents, and we can make no further grants, than those made through the colleges. It is advisable that you write to the president of the school you desire to attend, stating fully your qualification, age and general bearing, asking for NYA scholarship aid.

I hope you may secure enough aid to help you in your quest better educational advantages.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
Director, Division Negro Affairs.

September 17, 1937.

Donor

Miss Alice Simmon,
230 3rd Avenue,
Saint Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Miss Simmon:

Thank you for your letter of August 3rd, and the information that it contained.

It is evident that Miss Williams, who has been heading the Art department of Bethune-Cookman College for the past several years, did not understand you clearly, regarding the articles you desired to give our school. However, we will be very pleased to have you make such contribution to our Institution as you feel inclined to give.

Your influence with friends with be doubly pleasing to us at this time, in our quest to make permanent our work here.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,

mmb-elr

September 18, 1937

Mrs. Emma B. Wendell,
601 W. Minnesota Avenue,
DeLand, Florida

Dear Mrs. Wendell:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 20, 1937.

Mr. John Harris, Activities Chairman,
Young Men's Christian Association,
Hunton Branch,
Lynchburg, Virginia.

My dear Mr. Harris,

Just before leaving Daytona Beach for Washington, Mrs. Bethune asked me to send you a note regarding your request to have her speak for you in Lynchburg some time in October.

Mrs. Bethune had been out of her Washington office for so many weeks that she could not know just what her schedule would be. She requests, however, that you write her there, at 1340 G Street, Northwest, about October 1st. She will then be able to determine whether or not she will be able to serve you.

She is most grateful for the honor you have conferred upon her.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

September 20, 1937.

Mrs. Ruby M Jackson Reed
252 Claude Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mrs. Reed:

Thank you for your letter of September 18. I noted what you had to say regarding your desire to secure an NYA scholarship grant.

I regret to advise you that our 1937 NYA allocation has been dispersed. However, I hope that you can see your way clear to be with us this year, paying all bills as they come due.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-elr

September 21, 1937.

Miss Buena V. Kelley,
Grand Daughter Secretary,
1021 Maltby Avenue,
Norfolk, Virginia.

My dear Miss Kelley:

Thank you for your most interesting letter of September 18, and the check in the amount of Twenty-one Dollars and fifty cents ($21.50) donated to Bethune-Cookman College by the Daughters of Elks of Norfolk, for which we are deeply grateful.

I can never tell you just what your activity among the Daughters of Elks has meant to me personally, and what it has meant to the college. Your contribution brought such a relief to us in helping to lighten our financial strain.

We are asking your continued interest this year. Your influence with friends here and there will be doubly interesting to us at this time.

Blessings upon you and the people whom you are serving so beautifully.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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receipt enclosed

September 21, 1937.

Mrs. A D Decker
6 Snow Avenue,
Binghamton, New York.

My dear Mrs. Decker:

Thank you for your letter of September 18, and your generous check in the amount of Five Dollars ($5.00) to Maintenance.

We want you to know how deeply we appreciate your contributions during the years, and we only hope that your interest and courage in our work here, will be strengthened as the years go by. Your interest among friends will be doubly interesting to us.

I thank God daily for the loyal friends of our circle, who have stood by our program during the years, and we are prayerfully hoping that they will continue to help us in our quest to raise $500,000 for an Endowment to make permanent our work here.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Receipt enclosed

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September 22, 1937

Students

Miss Annie Ruth Coleman
908 N. Sapodillas Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Coleman:

We are glad to know that you accepted the full time work job in Bethune-Cookman College this year.

Compensation will be a credit of $16.00 per month, plus Board and Room.

Please report by September 27, 1937.

Mary McLeod Bethune,

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September 22, 1937

Mrs. Lillie Gaines Rogers
7003 West Hill Avenue
Valdosta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Rogers:

Your letter of September 15, with regard to your niece, Margaret Jenkins, has been received.

I am suggesting that you have your niece to make application to the President of the school she desire to attend.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

September 22, 1937

Mrs. Jesse Merrick Smith
Hotel Gramercy Park
52 Gramercy Park, North
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Smith:

I wish to express my very deep gratitude to you for your interesting letter of September 18, and for your generous contribution of $20.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

I want you to be assured of our warmest gratitude for your confidence in our program, for your friendship and for your material aid. Just know that we are greatly endouraged by your friendship and interest.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We hope that your interest in us will continue. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 22, 1937

Mrs. Jessie Merrick Smith
Hotel Gramercy Park
52 Gramercy Park North
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Smith:

I wish to express my very deep gratitude to you for your interesting letter of September 18, and for your generous contribution of $20.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

I want you to be assured of our warmest gratitude for your confidence in our program, for your friendship and for your material aid. Just know that we are greatly encouraged by your friendship and interest.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We hope that your interest in us will continue. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

September 23, 1937.

Mrs. Bancroft C. Davis,
2410 Wyoming Avenue,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Davis,

We are deeply grateful for your check for thirty dollars, to purchase materials for our Domestic Art Department and Dining Hall. I wish to assure you that will be of greatest help to us in getting our work started.

We have a fine enrollment for this new year and all prospects point to a fine session.

Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Enc - receipt

Donors

September 23, 1937.

Mrs. E. S. Bassett,
2240 Woodmere Drive,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Bassett,

We are always glad to hear from you - glad to know that your interest in our work continues. The past years have been so difficult and we would not have been able to bring our work to any point of service without the loyal help of our friends.

We wish to thank you for your recent contribution of one dollar to our Birthday club. It means much to us to have our friends help, through this medium, the worthy, needy students who need some help in order to continue their training.

Our work progressed in a marvellous manner last year. We closed the fiscal year with a deficit of less than two thousand dollars. We all put forth the strongest possible effort to get through. My own field of service has expanded, as you know, through my affiliation with the National Youth Administration. Although I am away from the school a great deal, the work goes forward. Mr. Abram L. Simpson, who comes to us from Columbia, South Carolina, is serving as acting President during my absence. We are anticipating a splendid year. There is a large group of boys and girls registered.

We still miss our dear Mrs. Chase, and thank God constantly that she passed her interest on to you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

- Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

September 23rd, 1937.

Miss Miriam C. Reyer,
614 Portage Avenue,
South Bend, Indiana.

My dear, dear Miss Reyer,

May we thank you for your warmly interesting letter of September 19th, and for the money order for $17.00, payment for the first quarter of tuition on the scholarship that you are establishing in Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount. It will be entirely satisfactory with us to have you send in $17.00 on December 1, and another $17.00 on March 1.

This year we have had the experience of a larger number of boys than girls requesting aid to help them through the year. In trying to help them we are faced with a very difficult task, for they all seem so worthy. Many of the boys, particularly, who could not secure aid, were forced to give up the idea of school this year. One boy of this type we have selected to benefit from your gift. If the help were not possible he would have to forego his training this year and work, if he could find it. The boy's name is Louis Stephens and he is a promising young fellow. His joy brought tears to his eyes when we told him that you were making it possible for him to go on. He has no father and his mother, his brother and Louis all work to try to provide food and shelter for them all. He will be writing you from time to time.

We have opened school with a splendid enrollment, and all prospects point to a fine year.

May we thank you again for your interest and help.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

September 24, 1937.

Mrs. Nella A. Sheldon,
Sherman, New York.

My dear Friend:

We want to thank you for your most interesting letter of September 20, with enclosure of check in the amount of Three Dollars and twenty cents ($3.20), your contribution to the Birthday Club of Bethune-Cookman College.

I can never tell you how deeply we appreciate your generosity at this time, to help the underpriviledged boys and girls of our school. Your gifts in the past have meant so much to us , and we are only hoping that you will continue to stand by us in our program this year.

Blessings upon you and those whom you are endeavoring to serve so graciously.

Sincerely, gratefully,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

President.

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Enclosure- Receipt

September 24, 1937

Miss Constance Sheffield,
512 West Church Street,
Live Oak, Florida.

My dear Miss Sheffield,

We regret that it is impossible for you to enter Bethune-Cookman College as a student this year, and sincerely hope that it will be possible for you to enter for the summer quarter.

National Youth Administration aid has never been allowed for summer study, up to this time. If, however, an allotment is made for the summer of 1938, we will be glad to consider your application. I suggest, however, that you write us in the late Spring.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 25, 1937.

Mrs. George Lilly,
Mrs. E. Campbell,
2151 Van Hise Avenue,
Madison, Wisconsin.

My dear, dear Friends:

The summer has gone and the Fall brings our opening for the thirty-fourth year of service to Negro boys and girls. We have a fine group of alert boys and girls, and a splendid corps of teachers and workers.

As the field of our service expands, our responsibilities increase. We are trying to meet the needs of our people not only in the academic field but also in the practical arts - household training, training in the preparation and serving of meals, in house-repairing and wood-working, in agriculture and other industries.

Our maintenance budget for the year has been very materially cut, for we must concentrate every possible effort upon securing a permanent endowment.

For many years both of you have given us your confidence and help. In many seasons we have appealed to you for help toward general maintenance and toward emergencies. We should deeply appreciate your most generous consideration of our maintenance needs at this time.

Blessings upon you for your continued interest in us.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

September 25, 1937.

Mrs. R. J. Frackelton,
2510 Stratford Road,
Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Frackelton,

I do not wish to intrude upon you, but your proved interest in our work gives me courage to keep you informed of the progress Bethune-Cookman College is making.

We have just opened school for the thirty-fourth year of service. We have a fine group of alert boys and girls, and a splendid corps of teachers and workers.

As the years go by, we find ourselves faced with the necessity of expanding our service, in order that our young people may be prepared to meet the demands of life. We are trying to prepare them not only in the academic field but also in the practical arts - household training, the preparation and serving of meals, wood-working, agriculture, sewing. We are trying to help them build strong character for effective leadership.

During many of our years, when we were handicapped by a shortage of funds in the Fall, to get the year started, you sent us a check to help with maintenance needs. We should deeply appreciate your consideration of us at this time. In the securing of supplies, in making necessary repairs, and particularly in meeting teachers' salaries, we find ourselves greatly handicapped.

Blessings upon you for your continued interest in us.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donor

September 25, 1937.

Mr. Arthur C. Titcomb,
Hillhouse,
Farmington, Maine.

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For many years you have helped us in the Fall of the year, by sending [illegible] scholarship donations to help meet the entrance needs of some of our most worthy and needy students. We should deeply appreciate your consideration in this particular at this time. We have many boys and girls who need aid.

Blessings upon you for your continued interest in us.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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September 27, 1937.

Student

Mrs. O. K. Reaves,
3605 Bayshore Boulevard,
Tampa, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Reaves:

Thank you for your beautiful letter of September 22, and the information that it contained regarding the future outlook of Elizabeth Walker, and of the excellent service that her mother has been giving you over a period of twelve years.

As much as we would like to give Elizabeth NYA assistanse, our budget allotment has been dispersed. If a break developes in our NYA setup, we shall only be too happy to consider Elizabeth. I am exceedingly sorry that we cannot comply with your request.

I am pleased to know that you enjoyed the program presented by our students at your church last Winter. We hope to come to you again this year,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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~~General~~
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September 29 - 1937.

Mr. George F. Johnson,
Endicott, New York.

My dear Mr. Johnson,

For the past four years you have been kind enough to make a large donation of athletic and work shoes to the students of Bethune-Cookman College. We wish to thank you again for this evidence of your interest in our work here, in our boys and girls, in their development along physical and mental lines.

The summer has passed and we have opened school for our thirty-fourth year of service. We have a fine enrollment of interesting boys and girls, and we are trying to do our best for them in giving them rounded development for service. We are also working on plans for activities that will link us more closely with community needs.

We enclose the list of sizes for athletic and work shoes that you may use if you are kind enough to make this contribution to us this year. We hope that you will give us favorable consideration.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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September 29, 1937

Mrs. Amelia Davis
Big Wolf
Tupper Lake, New York

Dear Mrs. Davis:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $5.00, to be credited to the Christmas Sales of the Advisory Board.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors
General Scholarship aid

October 2 - 1937.

Mr. Arthur Titcomb
Farmington, Maine

Dear Mr. Titcomb,

May we express our sincere gratitude for your continued confidence in the program of development we are trying to foster in Bethune-Cookman College. We have just received your generous scholarship donation of two hundred dollars, receipt for which is enclosed herewith.

If you could see the light of hope which illuminates a student's face when we are able to tell him that some scholarship aid is available, you would feel , with us, that no investment is greater than the investment in human lives. Through your contributions to our Institution many young men and women have been prepared for service to their fellowmen.

Again may we say that we are grateful.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 4 - 1937.

Mr. John W. Brown,
Descalzi Building,
1104 Wylie Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Brown,

May we express our deep and sincere appreciation to you for your interest in our work and for your generous contribution of five hundred dollars, just received. We cannot express to you the relief which this amount brings to our Maintenance Budget at this time. We enclose official receipt.

Our Institution has opened for its thirty-fourth year of service. We have a fine group of boys and girls and a splendid corps of teachers. We are hoping for a fine year's work. The help of friends like you means more to us than we can express, and we hope that your interest and confidence in us will continue and grow as the years go by.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 5 - 1937

Miss Mary E. Simms,
1007 Allegheny Avenue, N. S.,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Miss Simms:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your recent contribution of five dollars to Bethune-Cookman College. We cannot tell you how much it means to us to have your interest and confidence - as much as the material aid which your contribution brings.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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NATIONAL YOUTH ADMINISTRATION
1734 NEW YORK AVENUE NW.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 5, 1938

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Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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The blunder that I made in the selection of the young woman from New York will be sufficient for me for this year. I laugh at myself when I think about it. I do not know where my mind was. I must have been asleep, and, of course, your neglect to tie the strongs in the engagement of her makes it still a more difficult situation.

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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October 7 - 1937

Mr. George F. Johnson,
Endicott, New York.

My dear Mr. Johnson,

We are most grateful to you for your kind and generous consideration of our need and request for athletic and work shoes for our boys and girls.

We shall be very happy to receive these shoes and distribute them to our students.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Re: Hymn books
Hanes

October 12, 1937.

Dr. W. A. C. Hughes,
The Board of Home Missions
and Church Extension of the
Methodist Episcopal Church,
1701 Arch Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Dear Dr. Hughes:

May we thank you for calling to the attention of Miss Helen Silvines, of New York City, to the promise made to ship some hymn books to Bethune-Cookman College.

We sincerely hope that these books will soon be received, for we are very much in need of them.

Very truly yours,

Office Director.

October 12, 1937

Mr. Gerald E. Allen
204 West 136th Street
New York City

My dear Mr. Allen:

Mrs. Mitchell has sent me a copy of the letter that you sent her October 6th, stating that you had secured Mr. Schiefflin to act as treasurer of the endowment fund. Mr. Allen, I very definitely requested you to remain in the field of our maintenance and that the program for the endowment will be worked out by our Executive Committee and the committee we had appointed in New York - Mrs. Sternberger, Senator Walcot and myself will find a treasurer and recommend him to our Board. We will be most happy if it is possible for us to use Dr. Scheifflin, but he is being secured through a method that is far-fetched to our program.

I am very frank to say that I just don't quite grasp your attitude in this matter. We need your services, Mr. Allen, to secure funds for our daily running - in meeting the teachers' salaries and the maintenance of the school. We are setting up plans as rapidly as possible for the proper launching of our endowment. There are certain people we do not want tampered with at this time. We don't even want them approached. I have known Dr. Scheifflin for the past twenty-five years. We are trying to reserve Mrs. Pfieffer for a special occasion. I asked you when you were going out in the field that if there were certain people who should be approached, you would notify me, and I just can't understand the attitude you are taking in this whole thing. We sent you in the field as a general solicitor for maintenance. I think you understand that.

It is my plan to spend most of the month of November in New York. Mr. Simpson will also be there for a while and we hope to get some real business transactions for the institution accomplished.

I think it was very gracious of Mr. Hubert to allow you space in the Urban League Building.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Re: Music Group

October 14, 1937.

Prof. and Mrs. William Bancroft Hill
Vassar College
Poughkeepsie, New York

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Hill,

At this time last year, when our Music group toured your section, it was our pleasure to meet you and to inspire your interest in our work here. We felt then, as we feel now, a deep gratitude for your interest and for the generous contribution which was your vote of confidence in us.

The Tour of the Publicity Quintette last year brought good-will and new friends to our work, as well as much-needed funds for our maintenance budget. It was with deep regret that we found that we could not send the group out this year.

For many years now, the major need in the list of Bethune-Cookman's needs has gone unsupplied. This need is for permanent endowment funds. We must secure two hundred thousand dollars endowment this year or lose our standards. We feel that we can secure the aid of the large philanthropic boards in raising this endowment; however, we must prove to them that we can meet daily maintenance needs on a reduced budget, without showing a deficit.

We are writing a few of our choice friends this morning. Your names are included in the group. Wont you help us by sending a contribution toward maintenance at this time as you did last year? If will help us so much.

The fall term has opened with over two hundred boys and girls in attendance. We are giving our best to them.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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October 19, 1938

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Daytona Beach, Florida

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Your statement regarding Miss Moore has greatly relieved me. I think the money for our building will come. I am pleased with the response that we are getting. It is encouraging to note that we are in position to meet our requirements for the teachers. Whatever program you can work out for the Home Economics department will be satisfactory to me if you and the committee agree on it. I knew that the meetings on Monday afternoon with the committee would enhance their interest and give greater cooperation to the entire program.

I regret exceedingly the attitude that Dr. Stocking has taken to the suggestion I made to him regarding the use of Dr. Bartley in connection with his medical care of the students. I did not mean to do anything that would cause a rift. I am most desirous of harmony and cooperation.

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1734 NEW YORK AVENUE NW.
WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 20, 1938

Mr. Abram L. Simpson
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Simpson:

The enclosed letter is self explanatory. Will you please file application at once with the Emigration Board so that if this student has made arrangements to enter the college, she may do so. I believe this application will have to be filed only once.

I hope everything goes well. I am off in a few moments for Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Minnesota.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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Draper

October 20, 1937.

Mrs. Ruth Draper,
66 East 79th Street,
New York City.

Dear Mrs. D[illegible]er,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of ten dollars to our maintenance budget. It means so much to us to have the help of our friends at this time.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune Cookman
Berkshire Asso.

October 20, 1937.

Mrs. Harley E. Jones,
93 Crofut Street,
Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Jones,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you and to the Berkshire group, for your generous contributions, totalling $90.00, received a few days ago. I want to assure you, Mrs. Jones, that they came at a most opportune time, and met a real need in our maintenance budget. Receipts have been issued to each donor. Please be kind enough to deliver these receipts for us, with our expressions of deepest gratitude.

Mrs. Bethune will spend some days at the college next week. I shall be glad to call her attention to your letter and your contributions. She will be so grateful to the group. We have credited Mrs. Colt's contribution of two hundred dollars to the Berkshire Group.

Ben and Marc[illegible] are both well. Thank you always for your kindly interest in us.

Gratefully yours,

Office Director.

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Donor

October 20, 1937.

Mrs. George Lilly,
4750 North Meridian Street,
Indianapolis, Indiana.

My dear Mrs. Lilly,

We are deeply grateful for your warm interest and continued confidence in our Institution. For many years you have indicated your approval of the program we are trying to foster for Negro youth in this section. We are thankful to you for all that you have done for us.

We have just received your contribution of twenty dollars, and we cannot express to you how much it means to us. Please know that it fills a real need in our Maintenance Budget.

We have noted your change of address. We sincerely hope that both you and your daughter are well.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 21, 1937.

Mrs. Mary H.Loines,
The Quarterdeck,
Bolton Landing,
Lake George, New York.

My dear Mrs. Loines,

We are most grateful to you for your interest and confidence in our work and for your recent contribution of five dollars. This means so much to our maintenance program at this time.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

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Middletown, Connecticut.

Dear Mrs. Nearing,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your recent contribution of five dollars to our Birthday Club. This will help us to help some boy or girl to complete the work of this year. Through the medium of your membership in the Birthday club, you are contributing to the leadership that our group so much needs.

Please continue your interest in this work. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 21, 1937.

Done

The National Blank Book Company,
Holyoke, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous shipment of notebooks, notebook fillers, pads, etc. which will be of such great use in our office and school supplies store.

We are so appreciative of your continued interest and confidence in our program. You have made a very definite contribution to the progress of our work here.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 25, 1938

Mr. Abram Simpson
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Simpson:

My mind is quite restless as to how things are going and the general morale of the school. I hope all goes well.

Hampton informed me that you wired in for a teacher in home economics. Please let me know if you have succeeded in getting the woman they recommended in New York. I am disturbed that we have not been able to locate the person we need in that important department.

Dr. Patterson wrote me that you and a group will visit Tuskegee with a view of looking into the suggestion of our project. Please let me know the results.

I gleaned from the report of our Business Committee that the stream was not flowing so smoothly in the dormitory. Please look into this at once, and do not permit anything to go until the points become dangerous. I am sure Mrs. Mitchell with you can give a very definite interpretation as to the work of the two women in the dormitory in Curtis Hall. I had so hoped that all would be thoroughly understood there; but if there is any misunderstanding, try to get it properly adjusted.

I am informed that Jackson Davis, with a specialist in education, is touring the South, looking into the existing Negro colleges with a very definite eye to a definite recommendation. Please be on the guard there and have them properly informed.

I regret exceedingly it seems as if it will not be possible for me to get home even for the Thanksgiving. I feel that unless something changes in my program that it will be in December before I can reach Daytona Beach. But if I am needed for any specific thing, please do not refrain from informing me.

I shall be interested to know how the finances are going and if any new contacts are being made in securing funds. A detailed letter written up of our finances, showing the daily fluctuations, in care of Clarence Mitchell, will be appreciated. Love to students and teachers.

Sincerely yours,

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October 23, 1938

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Daytona Beach, Florida

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Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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October 26, 1937.

To Whom It May Concern,

This is to state that Bethune-Cookman College received, as a Designated Donation through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, the sum of fifteen ($15.00) dollars, from THE METHODIST CHURCH OF OCALA, FLORIDA, Rev. T. A. Huger, Pastor. Receipt No. 1585, dated May 13, 1937, was issued for the above-named amount. Rev. Huger states that this receipt was not received through the mail, and as we cannot issue duplicates, we issue this statement for the completion of his record.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

By: ____________________________

Business Manager.

October 26, 1937.

Donor

Mrs. Ruth Draper,
66 East 79th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Draper,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in our work, and for your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars, just received. This means so much to us at this time. We enclose official receipt for the amount donated.

We have a very fine student body this year and a splendid corps of teachers. Our threefold program will be most effectively given to these boys and girls if our friends will continue to help us now as they have in the past. We depend upon them. Please continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

October 28, 1937.

My dear Mrs. Colt,

In the late summer of 1936, when we were making a special effort to close that year free of a deficit, in order to claim a conditional grant from the General Education Board, you did such a fine and generous thing for us - one which made it possible for us to reach our goal. In addition to your annual contribution toward maintenance, you send us a special donation of one thousand dollars. We blessed you for your confidence in us.

Our situation at this time is not as acute as it was at the same time last year. Although we did not close the fiscal year, 1936-37 free of debt, our deficit was smaller than it has been for many years. We are now going forward on a much-reduced budget, and we must stay within that budget if we would reach the goal of an endowment that is so much needed. I am just wondering, Mrs. Colt, if you will do a special thing for us this year - at this time. We do not want to fall behind and we need help toward daily maintenance. We have received your contribution of two hundred dollars and it has helped so greatly.

If you can help us in this special way, I know you will. It will mean so much relief to me.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mrs. Samuel Colt,
Colt Road,
Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

October 26 - 1937.

Rev. John C. Strong,
Vermont Avenue Baptist Church,
Vermont Avenue, between [illegible] and R Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Rev. Strong,

Through you we wish to express our deep gratitude for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman, and for your recent contribution of ten dollars, thirty-seven cents, from your church. We cannot tell you how much this means to us at this time. May God bless each one of you for this thought of our maintenance needs at this time.

Our work is going forward in a very splendid manner. We have over two hundred fine young college students.

Please continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. I shall be in New York in early November and shall hope to be able to see you. We must go forward with our work in connection with a permanent endowment. Until this endowment is secured we must depend largely upon our friends to help us meet the needs of every-day running.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 26, 1937.

Dr. Emmett J. Scott,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Dr. Scott,

We just wish to express our sincere appreciation for the work of the Emergency Campaign committee. The influence, the publicity for our institution, the time and money given, mean more to us than we can ever express.

I write to acknowledge receipt of your final check for $109.83. This comes at a most opportune time, I assure you. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Things are going very well here at the college.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

October 28, 1937.

Dr. and Mrs. Henry A. Whitmarsh,
102 Prospect Street,
Providence, Rhode Island.

My dear, dear Friends,

We sincerely regret that it is not possible for us to bring the Quintette to your section this year. We hold such pleasant memories of our engagement at your beautiful party last year.

I am just writing, my friends, to solicit your continued interest in our maintenance program. Year by year the loyal, generous support of our friends enables us to keep our doors open and our program sufficiently expansive to meet the growing needs of the young people we serve. However, we have no permanent endowment yet and the problem of securing funds for every-day running continually confronts us.

It would mean so much to us to receive a contribution from you at this time. Our greatest current needs are for teachers' salaries and scholarship aid to supplement the resources of worthy, needy boys and girls.

We sincerely hope that you are both well and all goes well with you .

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 28, 1937.

Mrs. Lillian Nichols,
Providence, Rhode Island.

My dear Mrs. Nichols,

We regret that it is not possible for us to bring the publicity quintette to your section this year. The friends of Providence were so kind to us when we served at Mrs. Whitmarsh's party last year.

We earnestly solicit your continued interest in our work, and particularly in our maintenance program. During all of these years we have been enabled to grow and expand to meet the needs of our young people, through the loyal, generous help of our friends. So great have been the demands of a growing institution, however, that we have not been able to build up an adequate endowment. Hence, year after year, we must appeal to our friends for continued confidence, continued interest, continued aid.

Many current needs face us but the greatest are funds for teachers' salaries, and funds for scholarship aid. Our students come from poverty-stricken families. In so many instances the two years of training here represent the difference between having the entire family on relief or self-respecting. Their meagre funds must be supplemented by some scholarship aid.

We sincerely hope that you may help us at this time, both with your influence and with a contribution. Just know that we are doing our best here and your investments in human lives will bring splendid returns in citizenship.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

October 28, 1937

Donor

Mrs. M. T. L. Gannett
15 Sebley Place
Rochester, New York

My dear Mrs. Gannett:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are greatful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs here at the College. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 28, 1937.

Mr. Frank D. Baker,
Imperial Coal Corporation,
Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Baker:

May we greet you in this new scholastic year and solicit, again, your warm interest and confidence in the work of Bethune-Cookman College. They have meant so much to us during the years of our growth, and we are more grateful to you than we can express.

Our position at this time is not as acute as it was at the same time last year. Although we did not close our books on June 30, 1937 entirely free of debt, our deficit was much smaller than it has been for many years. We are going forward this year on a greatly-reduced budget, for we recognize the great need for an Endowment, and we must bend all possible efforts in the direction of securing large funds. With this in mind, we are conscious of the fact that we must not fall behind in our daily maintenance.

Please give us your most generous consideration this year, Mr. Baker. We need funds - current funds - particularly for teachers' salaries, and to help supplment the resources of some of the dependent, needy students who so sadly need this chance of development.

I know you will do your best for us.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 28, 1937

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Rev. R. H. DeBose
General Delivery
Hawthorne, Florida

Dear Rev. DeBose:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and that it aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance here at the College. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and paryerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 28, 1937.

Mr. Daniel Turpit,
630 Painter Avenue,
Whittier, California.

My dear Mr. Turpit,

May we thank you for your kind letter of some days ago, and for your inquiries concerning our work here.

We enclose a little leaflet which gives a brief historical sketch of Bethune-Cookman College. Our Institution was established in 1904 as a Girls' Industrial School. After the merger with Cookman Institute in 1923, the program became coeducational, and the school was organized as a Junior College, with special emphasis on Teacher-Training. With our strong faith and the generous, loyal support of friends, we have been able to bring the school to a point of real service to this section.

The generous, loyal help of our friends has meant so much to us during these years of struggle. They have enabled us to carry on our program for the training of young people in head, hand and heart. We have not been able, up to this point, however, to build up a permanent endowment for our work, and this is our greatest need at this time. We need also money for teachers' salaries, for scholarship aid to worthy, needy students.

Just know that we will deeply appreciate your interest in our work, and the establishment of your confidence as you know us better.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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October 30, 1937.

Miss Elisabeth W. Frothingham,
Wilson Park,
Tarrytown, New York.

My dear, dear Friend,

We so greatly appreciate your contribution of one hundred dollars at this time. I cannot express to you how much it means to us. We know that when your supply increases, at any season, that you will think of our work. During all of these years you have given us your most generous and loyal support. Just know that we thank God for you and for all that you are doing for this Cause.

We have encouraging prospects for a good year's work - a fine student body and a conscientious group of teachers. We have the problem of maintenance ever before us, because we have so little in endowment funds. Careful planning and strenuous effort, however, are bringing us to better business position year by year. We brought into this year less than two thousands of dollars as a deficit from last year. This figure is very much smaller than the deficit figure has been for five or six years. So you see, we are making progress, although the struggle is still hard. The generous help of friends like you has encouraged us and enabled us to keep the doors of the institution open.

Bless you for your interest and confidence.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General Correspondence (Outgoing) Nov.-Dec. 1937

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November 5, 1937.

Mr. Victor Kauffman,
The Evening Star-The Morning Star,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Kauffman,

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of one hundred dollars, which means so much to our maintenance budget at this time. We feel sure Mrs. Bethune has outlined to you our needs, our possibilities of serving these Negro youths in this section, and our sincere desire to make our work as effective as possible. We are deeply grateful for your gift at this time, when it is so greatly needed.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Office Director.

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November 5th, 1937.

Mr. Frank D. Baker,
Imperial Coal Corporation,
Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Baker,

We cannot express to you in words our gratitude for your continued confidence in our work. It means so much to us to receive your generous contribution of two hundred dollars at this time.

It is very difficult for us to open school in the Fall, because of the falling off of income in the summer. When our friends help us at this season it brings double relief.

We have a fine student body and a conscientious group of teachers. We find it very difficult to secure maintenance funds, but the reduction of our expense budget enables us to continue with the help that our loyal friends give to us. We hope to secure an endowment as soon as we possibly can.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 5, 1937.

Miss Mary E. Davidson,
Brook Cottage,
Foordmore Road,
Kerhonkson, New York.

My dear, dear Miss Davidson,

I cannot tell you what relief your most generous contribution of three hundred dollars brings to us at this time. I am not able to spend much time at the College, but I am using every possible moment in behalf of the work. You know how difficult it is for us to start the work in the Fall, and how few the contributions are during this season. When the way is darkest, friends like you always come to our recsue. May God bless you.

We regret to hear that you do not feel that you are not to live in Florida again. We do hope, however, that you will come to Daytona Beach at some time in the near future.

The school continues to make progress. We have fine prospects for a good year - a full student body and a conscientious group of workers. The ladies of our Board will soon be coming down and will start their wonderful activities in behalf of the school.

My work in Washington is a great challenge to me. Last year I traveled over forty thousand miles, touching youths in all sections of the country. This wider service means much to our Institution and to me.

I hope your health is much improved. Know that we are deeply grateful for your friendship and your confidence. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Always gratefully yours,

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Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

November 5, 1937.

Mr. B. W. Cade,
Haslett, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Cade,

We are deeply grateful for your letter of November 3rd, for your interest and confidence in our work here.

Bless you for your contribution of twenty-five dollars, which is being credit to our Scholarship Aid Fund, and which will be a real life-saver in helping some worthy boy or girl to complete the work this year. We have noted your preference to have this amount to help some orphan. We have some boys and girls registered here who have neither mother nor father and who are entirely dependent upon their own efforts for their training. We will select such a student to benefit from this aid during the second quarter of the school year, which begins December 5th. We will send you the name and some information about this boy or girl.

We sincerely hope that your interest in us will continue. We have a fine group of students this year and all prospects point to a splendid year's work. We find ourselves greatly in need of maintenance funds and we are urging all of our friends to stand by us in this particular as closely as possible.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 10, 1937.

Mr. J. P. Rembert,
611 South Harvin Street,
Sumter, South Carolina.

Dear Mr. Rembert:

Thank you for your letter of some days ago.

If you should be allowed NYA aid in the amount of $10.00 a month, you would have to provide $8.00 a month in cash yourself. You would also have to provide in cash $17.00 for the second quarter's tuition (due in December) $17.00 for the third quarter's tuition (due in March) and $20.00 for the annual fees (due in December). In other words, you should have $35.00 to enter, and $8.00 a month for each month thereafter; also $17.00 in March for your tuition.

Please let us know if you can meet these requirements, and if your part can be done we will do our best to arrange the aid for you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 13, 1937

Mr. D. M. Wheeler
22 Harding Street
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Wheeler,

May we thank you for your kind letter of November 8th, and for your continued interest in our work here.

We are most grateful for your contribution of ten dollars. The gifts at the Fall season always bring much-needed relief to our maintenance needs. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We have noted your statement concerning Mr. and Mrs. Goodwin. We shall be very happy to have a little visit from them and have them go over our plant here. It is kind of you to direct them here.

Sincerely, gratefully

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 13, 1937

Mr. William Snodgrass,
Clermont, Florida.

My dear Mr. Snodgrass,

How gracious it is of you to answer so promptly and so generously our appeal for some help toward the maintenance of our work, during the Thanksgiving season! I just must say - "Thank God for my friends."

Just know that your confidence in us, your generous sharing of our responsibilities, is bringing real results. We sent out a fine group of students last year, and we have a very promising enrollment this year. Please take the time to drive over, with Mrs. Snodgrass and the other friends, on some Sunday afternoon. I know you will enjoy our meetings - particularly the music of the choral group. The meetings start at three o'clock

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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James

November 13, 1937

Miss Helen C. Robertson
50 Stimson Avenue
Providence, Rhode Island

My dear Miss Robertson,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in our work and for your recent contribution of $10.00 to our maintenance needs. This means so much to us at this time, for we have great difficulty in the fall in meeting these needs.

Our work continues to go forward and we are so grateful to our friends for the way they are standing by us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 16, 1937.

Mrs. John Henry Hammond,
9 East 91st Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Hammond,

Bless you for your continued confidence in our program. We need our friends so greatly this year, for so much depends upon our meeting maintenance needs without having a deficit at the end of the year.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars is of greatest possible help to us just now.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Loans

November 16, 1937.

Mr. F. M. Turrentine,
Rogers Apartments,
709 Ora Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Turrentine,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman, and for your recent contribution of one dollars to the Birthday club. So many friends, realizing the need for some aid to worthy students, through loans, are helping to the extent of their ability by contributing to the Birthday Club.

Please know that we are grateful for your continued interest. Please use your influence in our behalf with others.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 16, 1937.

Mr. Leonard J. Field,
100-108 Main Street,
Jamestown, New York.

My dear Mr. Field,

May we express our deep appreciation for your prompt and generous response to our appeal for funds for maintenance at this time. We have just received your contribution of ten dollars, which means more to us than we can express.

May God bless you for your continued interest and confidence in our work. Please use your influence in our behalf with others.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 16, 1937.

Mrs. H. B. Frissell,
Hampton Institute,
Hampton, Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Frissell,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued confidence in our work here. It means so much to us to have friends like you. Bless you for your prompt and generous consideration of our appeal. Your contribution of ten dollars will go far toward supplying some of our maintenance needs.

We have a fine school this year - a splendid group of students and an interesting, conscientious group of workers. If we can operate within our budget of maintenance this year we will then be in position to take the next advanced step to insure the future permanency of the work. We are now putting forth every possible effort to secure an endowment.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

November 16, 1937.

Mrs. Mahulda Aldrige,
934 Twentieth Street, South
22nd Street Station,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Aldrige,

Thank you very much for your letter of November 13th.

We regret to say that we cannot accept your grand-daughter as a member of the student body of our Institution, as we do not accept students below the tenth grade.

We hope that you will send her to us when she can meet our entrance requirements as to classification.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 16, 1937.

Mrs. Henry A. Whitmarsh,
102 Prospect Street,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Dear Mrs. Whitmarsh,

May we express our deep gratitude to you and Mr. Whitmarsh for your continued confidence in our work here. It means so very much to us to have friends like you. Bless you for your prompt and generous consideration of our appeal. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars will go far toward supplying some of our maintenance needs.

Indeed we did have such a pleasant time in Providence last year, in your lovely home. Our boys and girls were delighted to have this opportunity to serve your friends and you. We all hope that you will come to Florida this year. I am going from place to place, all over the country, in the interests of our larger Negro youth program as well as in the interests of Bethune-Cookman College. I spend some time each month in Daytona Beach, however.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful of us. Continue to use your influence in behalf of our program.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 17, 1937

Mrs. J. C. Blair
527 Penn Street
Huntingdon, Pennsylvania

Dear Mrs. Blair:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest and confidence. It means so much to us to have the old friends to continue to stand by us.

Bless you for your generous, prompt response to our appeal for maintenance funds. Your contribution of ten dollars does help us so much at this time.

We have a fine school this year - a splendid group of students and an interesting, conscientious group of workers. If we can operate within our budget of maintenance this year we will then be in position to take the next advanced step to insure the future permanency of the work. We are now putting forth every possible effort to secure an endowment.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 17, 1937.

Mrs. Percy Ballantine,
Mountain Lake Club,
Lake Wales, Florida.

My dear, dear Friend,

Bless you for your generous response to our need for maintenance funds at this time. Your contribution of one hundred dollars brings so much relief to us. We are so grateful for your continued interest and confidence in the program here.

The years have been very difficult but our Faith has sustained us. The hardest fight has been for maintenance funds. We have been fortunate in having loyal friends to stand by us during the years but we have not been able to secure an endowment and this causes us to face the problem of maintenance funds constantly. We know, however, that His supply is sure.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 17, 1937

Miss Gertrude Pope Jones
216 Tenth Avenue N. E.
St. Petersburg, Florida

Dear Miss Jones:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest and confidence. It means so much to us to have the old friends to continue to stand by us.

Bless you for your generous, prompt response to our appeal for maintenance funds. Your contribution of one dollar does help us so much at this time.

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Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 17, 1937.

Mrs. Caroline B. Chapin,
62 Dwight Place,
Englewood, New Jersey.

Dear Mrs. Chapin,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest and confidence. It means so much to us to have the old friends to continue to stand by us.

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Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 17, 1937

Mr. E. F. Warner
Bellevue, Ohio

Dear Mr. Warner:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest and confidence. It means so much to us to have the old friends to continue to stand by us.

Bless you for your generous, prompt response to our appeal for maintenance funds. Your contribution of two dollars does help us so much at this time.

We have a fine school this year - a splendid group of students and an interesting, conscientious group of workers. If we can operate within our budget of maintenance this year we will then be in position to take the next advanced step to insure the future permanendy of the work. We are now putting forth every possible effort to secure an endowment.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 18, 1937.

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Mr. William I. Frothingham,
1 St. Andrew's Lane,
Glen Cove, New York.

Dear Mr. Frothingham:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars, which is such a great help to us in meeting maintenance needs at this time. Bless you for your continued confidence in the work we are trying to do here.

We have a fine school this year - an interesting group of students and a splendid group of workers. Until we are able to secure a permanent endowment, however, we will be faced each year with the problem of maintenance funds. It is so kind of our friends to stand by us during these years of struggle. As I look around our wonderful plant I am convinced anew with the great returns on the investments of friends during the thirty-three years of the school's existence. We must secure an endowment to insure the permanency of the work - that is our goal at this time. Meanwhile, we are doing our best to secure maintenance funds.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Approved

November 18, 1937.

The bearer, Mrs. Ethel L. Richardson, a member of the staff of Bethune-Cookman College, is authorized to solicit for the college, turkeys for the Students' Thanksgiving Dinner, or contributions from friends with which the turkeys may be purchased.

The Thanksgiving Holiday season is one of great pleasure for our students each year. Many of them go home for the Christmas recess, and Thanksgiving presents our only opportunity to try to give them a real festive dinner.

Because of the limited funds the College has, we earnestly request friends to help us provide a Turkey dinner for the students and teachers on Thanksgiving day.

We are grateful for your cooperation and help. Official receipts will be mailed for all amounts contributed.

President.

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November 19, 1937.

Mr. Edwin L. Clarke,
Rollins College,
Winter Park, Florida.

My dear Mr. Clarke,

It is so kind and gracious of you to respond so promptly to our recent appeal, and to bring it to the attention of the Rollins College Interracial Committee. Your donations totaling twenty dollars bring such great relief to our maintenance budget. Over and beyond the material help, however, we value this evidence of your continued confidence and of the good-will of this student group. It is more than encouraging to those of us who have labored along these lines for so many years to have this type of response on the part of young Americans. May God bless you for your real teaching.

We have a fine school this year - a splendid group of teachers and students. Our problem of maintenance is still grave, but the faith and industry which have brought us to this place will carry us through to every goal. We are working daily toward the securing of a permanent endowment fund.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Continue to use your splendid influence in our behalf. We shall be so happy to welcome your group here this year.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 19, 1937.

Rollins College Interracial Committee,
Rollins College,
Winter Park, Florida.

Attention of
Miss Emily S. Showalter.

Dear Miss Showalter,

We are so grateful to Mr. Clark for bringing to the attention of your Committee our appeal for maintenance funds at this time; and we are more than grateful to your group for your generous response, sent with him.

These contributions of ten dollars each fill a real need in our daily running, but beyond the relief they bring is the value of the encouragement and the inspiration of your interest and good-will toward us. We have worked for many years to prove that interracial good-will is the key which will open so many doors of progress. When a group of young American college people - alert, clear-thinking, tolerant and kind, are willing to help solve the problem, it means that the goal will someday become a reality.

You will be interested to know that we have a splendid enrollment this year, and a conscientious group of well-trained teachers. Despite the fact that we have, for these thirty-three years, faced acute problems of maintenance, we have been able to keep up with modern educational trends and have expanded to keep pace with the increasing needs of our young people. We are putting forth strenuous efforts now to secure a permanent endowment.

Please continue thoughtful of us. We will be so happy to welcome your group when they come to visit us this year.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 19, 1937.

Mrs. Mary Southworth Williams,
22 Greenacre Avenue,
Longmeadow,
Springfield, Massachusetts.

My dear [redacted]liams,

Bless you for your prompt response to our appeal for maintenance funds at this time. Your contribution of five dollars means more to us than we can ever express to you. For so many years you and your good mother have been interested in our work. When she passed on, it was good of you to continue her interest and her aid.

We have a fine school this year - a fine student body and a well-trained, conscientious group of teachers. Our great problem this year and during previous years is one of daily maintenance. We need a permanent endowment so badly, and we are putting forth every possible effort to secure one.

Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 20, 1937.

Mrs. Willard Parker,
116 East 53rd Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Parker,

Bless you for your kind response to our appeal for maintenance funds. Your contribution of five dollars is of great help to us at this time. Beyond the relief which this brings to us in a material way is the value of your continued confidence and good-will.

You will be interested to know that we have a splendid school this year - a fine group of teachers and students. The problem of daily maintenance which faces us each year is acute, of course. We have had to depend so largely upon our friends to help us during these years. We are putting forth strenuous efforts now to line up an endowment campaign. I was in New York a few days ago and plan to return there for some real organization and work the last of this month. I shall appreciate the use of your influence in behalf of our work here, and whatever suggestions you may be able to give to us, to help us toward the goal of this permanent endowment.

With best wishes for the beautiful Thanksgiving season that you so richly merit, I a

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 20,1937.

Mrs. E. M. Bayha,
1159 Market Street,
Wheeling, West Virginia.

My dear Mrs. Bayha,

Bless you for your kind and generous response to our appeal for maintenance funds. Your contribution of ten dollars is of so much help to us at this time. Beyond the relief which this brings to us in a material way, is the value of your continued confidence and good-will.

You will be interested to know that we have a splendid school this year - a fine group of teachers and students. The problem of daily maintenance which faces us each year is acute, of course. We have had to depend so largely upon our friends to help us during these years. We are putting forth strenuous efforts now to line up an endowment campaign. I was in New York a few days ago and plan to return there for some real organization and work the last of this month. I shall appreciate the use of your influence in behalf of our work here, and whatever suggesttions that you may be able to give to us, to help us toward the goal of this permanent endowment.

With best wishes for a beautiful Thanksgiving season, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 22, 1937.

Mrs. Theresa Durlach,
875 Park Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Durlach,

Through our Mr. Gerald E. Allen we have received your contribution of five dollars to our work. We wish to thank you for your interest in our work and your confidence in our program. We hope that this interest will be strengthened as you know us better.

We are sending you a little leaflet, descriptive of the work we are trying to do here. At some time when you are in this section we will be happy to have a visit from you.

Please know that we are grateful for your interest and hope that it will continue.

With best wishes for a beautiful Thanksgiving season, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 22, 1937

Donor

Mrs. Carrie J. Hume
46 Clenton Avenue
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Hume:

We are so grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to Bethune-Cookman College and for your interest in the work here. We feel that your contribution is a vote of confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

Enclosed is a receipt for the amount contributed. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 22, 1937.

Mrs. Edgerton Parsons,
555 Park Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Parsons,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College. We are so grateful for your prompt and generous response to our appeal. Your contribution of fifteen dollars means more to us at this time than we can ever express to you.

We have a fine school this year - a splendid group of students and teachers. The acute problem of maintenance which has handicapped us for so many years remains, however, and will do so until we secure a permanent endowment. We are putting forth strenuous efforts in this direction at this time.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. I shall be in New York again in the very near future and I hope that I may see you. Any suggestions that you may be able to give us to help us carry forward our endowment campaign will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 22, 1937

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Mrs. Lora S. La Mance
410 East Bullard Avenue
Lake Wales, Florida

Dear Mrs. Mance:

We are so grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to Bethune-Cookman College and for your interest in the work here. We feel that your contribution is a vote of confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

Enclosed is a receipt for the amount contributed. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student.

November 23, 1937.

Mrs. Mary Taylor,
409 Chapman Street,
Orlando, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Taylor,

Thank you very much for your letter regarding the admission of your son to Bethune-Cookman College.

We would be very glad to have him if he could meet our entrance requirements. However, we do not accept students in the third grade.

We hope that you will send him to Bethune-Cookman College when he can meet our entrance requirements.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

November 23, 1937.

Mr. Edwin P. Potter,
Thompson, Susquehanna County,
Pennsylvania.

Dear Mr. Potter,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your recent contribution of two dollars, in response to our appeal for maintenance funds. This is a great help to us at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

You will be interested to know that we have a splendid school this year - a fine group of students and teachers. For all of these years we have been faced with a serious problem of maintenance, and we will be faced with this problem until we secure a permanent endowment.

Please continue prayerful of us and thoughtful of us. Yes, we have come a long way, aided by our faith and the loyal support of those who believed in us.

May we thank you again for your kindness and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 26, 1937.

Mrs. David A. Hays,
500 South William Street,
Johnstown, New York.

My dear Mrs. Hays,

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your confidence in our work. Your contribution of fifteen dollars toward our maintenance needs, means so very much to us at this time. You could not have completed your pledge at a more strategic time.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year. There are more than two hundred splendid boys and girls registered in the Junior College and Teacher-Training classes. We have a splendidly-trained, conscientious teaching staff. Our great problem is for maintenance funds. We are putting forth strenuous efforts to provide a permanent endowment for the college in order that this problem may not be so acute.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 26, 1937.

President Lawrence C. Jones,
Piney Woods School,
Piney Woods, Mississippi.

Dear President Jones,

Through Mrs. Bethune, we have received the generous contribution of $23.05 from your Institution to our current maintenance budget. May we express to you, your students and teachers, our deep gratitude for this kindly consideration.

Mrs. Bethune has, no doubt, told you of the present struggle for maintenance funds for Bethune-Cookman. Until an adequate permanent endowment is secured this problem will continue to be acute. We are doing our best, however, assisted by a loyal group of students, teachers and friends.

Please continue thoughtful of us and use your influence in our behalf whenever you can.

We are always hearing good things of you and your work. I hope to have the opportunity of looking in upon you at Piney Woods at some time in the near future. May continued success be yours.

Very truly yours,

Acting President.

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November 26, 1937.

Mrs. Fannie E. Forbes,
Westboro, Massachusetts.

Dear Mrs. Forbes,

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars at this time. It means so much relief to our current maintenance needs to receive this amount. May God bless you for your continued confidence and interest in our work.

You will be interested to know that we have a find school this year - a splendid student body of over two hundred boys and girls, and an excellent, conscientious teaching staff. Our great problem is for maintenance funds. We are putting forth every possible effort to provide the school with a permanent endowment in order that this problem may be solved.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever you can.

May God abundantly bless you for all you are doing for humanity.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 26,1937

Mr. George A. Kroener,
Wakefield, Rhode Island.

Dear Mr. Kroener,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest and confidence in the work we are trying to do here. The loyal support of friends like you means so much to us. Your contribution of five dollars at this time, to our current maintenance budget, is received with real appreciation for the problem of current maintenance is so acute.

You will be interested to know that our work has progressed and expanded year by year, despite the financial struggle. We now have a real school - serving over two hundred young people in the regular session each year, and almost four hundred rural teachers and workers in the summer session. We have a fine group of well-trained, conscientious teachers. We are putting forth strenuous efforts now to provide a permanent endowment for the college, in order that there may be more security in the matter of annual maintenance. Friends have stood by us for all of these years and they will continue to do so.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 26, 1937.

Mrs. Florence K. Norman,
213 West 111th Street,
Apartment 1,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Norman,

On November 20th I sent you a letter, as follows:

"Your letter of November 17, with enclosed check for $50.00 from the Executive Committee for the Emergency Fund, has been received in the absence of Mrs. Bethune from the College. She spent three days of last week here but left after that time to fill some engagements in Louisiana and Mississippi. It is her plan to go back to New York about the last of the month or the first of November. She will communicate with you then.

The contribution of fifty dollars is being credited to maintenance and we enclose official receipt for that amount. I shall send Mrs. Bethune a memo concerning it in my letter to her today. We are so grateful for it."

Inadvertently, I did not address the envelope correctly, and the letter has been returned. I send this note in explanation of the delay, and enclose the receipt. I am deeply sorry for this this error.

Very truly yours,

Bertha L. Mitchell, Office Director.

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November 27 - 1937

Donor

Miss H. H. White,
2 Pierrepont Place,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear, dear Miss White,

I cannot tell you how much your most generous contribution of five hundred dollars has meant to us at this time. As you know, we have such an acute problem of maintenance during the Fall and early Winter.

It is my plan to return to New York within a few days, to continue my efforts in the direction of securing permanent endowment funds. Our friends have stood by us so loyally during all of these years - without them we would not have been able to maintain the school's program. We are so grateful for their help and their influence and pray that it will continue until our endowment is secured.

May God bless you, Miss White, for your continued confidence in our program. May I assure you again that it is worthwhile.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 27, 1937.

Mrs. Lou V. Hill,
Riverview Hotel,
Coronado Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Hill,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your prompt and generous response to our recent appeal. Your check for $5.00 means so much to us at this time, for we are facing an acute problem of maintenance.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year - a splendid group of over two hundred boys and girls in the junior college and teacher-training departments and a conscientious, well-trained group of teachers. We are putting forth every possible effort to secure endowment funds, in order that there will be a measure of certainty in the matter of daily maintenance. Our friends have stood by us nobly during the years and we hope that they will continue to stand by.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Bring groups of friends to our Community meetings on Sundays. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 27, 1937.

Mrs. E. H. Bancker,
Hotel Bossert,
98 Montague Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mrs. Bancker,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $3.50 to our Birthday Club. This is so gratefully received at this time. We are receiving many requests from students for small loans to help them continue their work here and it is through the confidence and help of friends like you that we are enabled to help them.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Please use your influence in our behalf wherever you can. We are leaning heavily on our friends at this time.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 27, 1937.

Mrs. Mary F. Wilcox,
12 Phillips Street,
Westboro, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Wilcox,

May we express our deep appreciation to you for your generous response to our recent appeal. We gratefully accept your contribution of five dollars, which is sent in the name of your sister, Miss Katherine Wilcox. She was so interested in our work and we bless you for carrying on her interest.

We have a fine school this year - a splendid group of over two hundred boys and girls in the junior college and teacher-training department, and a conscientious, well-trained group of teachers. Our greatest problem is that of current maintenance. Friends have stood by us for all of these years and we hope that they will continue to stand by us until we can secure a permanent endowment.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 27, 1937.

Mrs. Frank L. Morton,
923 West Erie Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs.Morton,

May we express our deep appreciation to you for your response to our recent appeal. Your contribution of one dollar brings such relief to us at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We have a fine school this year but we are handicapped by the problem of maintenance. Friends have stood loyally by us during all of these years, and we hope that they will continue to do so until we can secure a permanent endowment.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 27, 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Simmons
and Family,
434 West Ashley Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Friends,

We have just received your wire, telling us of the sad passing of your daughter.

The faculty and students of Bethune-Cookman College join me in expressing deep sympathy to you all. During these dark hours of grief we commit you to our Heavenly Father for comfort and understanding. Lean heavily upon him.

We are thinking of you and praying for you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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November 30, 1937.

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Mrs. F. C. Squier, Jr.
274 Upper Mountain Avenue,
Upper Montclair, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Squier,

May we express our deep gratitude to you and to Mr. Squier for your continued confidence in the work we are doing in Bethune-Cookman College. Your friendship and help mean so much to us.

It is good of you to respond so generously to our appeal for maintenance funds at this time. Your contribution of fifty dollars brings such great relief. We have a fine school - a splendid group of over two hundred boys and girls in the junior college and teacher-training department, but the problem of maintenance needs is ever before us. Friends have stood by us nobly during all of these years. We are earnestly asking them to continue to do so until we can secure a permanent endowment.

I hope that your Thanksgiving season brought to you and yours the blessings you so richly merit.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 2, 1937.

Dr. E. T. Belsaw,
500 Dauphin Street,
Mobile, Alabama.

Dear Dr. Belsaw,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in our work, and for your recent contribution of $5.00 to our maintenance needs. This contribution comes at a very strategic time, for we are so greatly in need of help.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine school this year - an enrollment of two hundred ten boys and girls in the teacher-training and junior college departments, and a splendid, conscientious group of teachers and workers. Our most acute problem is that of securing maintenance funds to carry on.

Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 2nd, 1937.

Mr. George F. Johnson,
629 North Peninsula Drive,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Johnson,

The splendid, useful shoes sent to our students are filling a real need in their work here. Each boy received a pair of work shoes and a pair of athletic shoes; each girl received a pair of athletic shoes. They express to you their deep appreciation for this contribution to their development for these shoes form a great part of their industrial and physical development.

After our students had been supplied with shoes we found that there were a few pairs of each type left over. These we distributed to the less fortunate men and women of the community. When some who had received shoes told others, they, too, came to the campus. Finally, great crowds of men, women and children came for shoes, but the small surplus supply did not last to that point.

On a previous occasion you were kind enough to furnish a large lot of athletic shoes in children's sizes, for distribution to the unfortunate Negro children of Daytona Beach. I am wondering if, in the face of the need which has come to our attention as a result of the distribution of these few extra pairs, you would consider a gift to these children of a pair of athletic shoes each, and possibly a limited number of pairs of athletic shoes for the working women and a limited number of pairs of work shoes for the working men. This would be such a blessing to all of them. We would cooperate with Negro welfare workers in working up the lists of sizes needed and in distributing them where they are most needed.

As you know, a great portion of Bethune-Cookman's program is in the line of community service. The existence of the school, we feel, is justifiable only as we shall use our facilities for the greatest good of all.

Again, may we express our gratitude for your help.

Sincerely yours,

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Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donors

December 3, 1937.

Miss Lucy Thompson,
377 Lloyd Avenue,
Providence, Rhode Island.

My dear Miss Thompson,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your response to our recent appeal for maintenance funds. We are so grateful to you for your contribution of five dollars. It means so much to us at this time.

We are fighting hard to meet our maintenance needs at this time and it is heartening to have our friends stand so closely by us during these days of stress. Just as soon as we possibly can we shall secure a permanent endowment, which will solve the acute problem of maintenance which is before us.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 4 - 1937.

Miss Mary Walmsley,
511 Freret Street,
Morgan City, Louisiana.

My dear Miss Walmsley,

Thank you very much for your letter of December 2nd.

We should be very glad to have you enter Bethune-Cookman College, but we could not have you come to us as a full work student. We have a limited amount of National Youth Administration aid and some Industrial Scholarship Aid for worthy, needy students, but no student is allowed enough aid to take care of all of his or her expenses. We have a few places for students to work for a year and go to school a year. All of these opportunities are filled at this time, of course. If you find that you can come to school, with part-time aid on your expenses, paying the balance in cash, make application during the summer of 1938 for such aid. If you find that you cannot put any cash on your account but will have to work your full way, make application for a full-time work job during the session 1938-39, and go to school during the year 1939-40.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 4, 1937.

Mr. Cleveland H. Reeves,
Box 544,
Nassau, Bahamas.

My dear Mr. Reeves,

Upon my arrival here for a few days, my attention has been called to your letter of some weeks ago, also the splendid material of the Trinity College of Music, London, England. I shall read this literature, and the requirements pertaining to Scholarship Examinations with great interest. Bethune-Cookman College will be very glad to have a visit from Sir Granville Bantock, Examiner of the Trinity College, when he is in this section. We feel sure that we could give him real entertainment in the singing of Negro spirituals particularly, for our A Capella choir this year excells in this type of music. Mr. McCoo, of our Music Department will also be very glad to meet Sir Granville.

We are deeply grateful for your thought of our Institution in this particular. As you know, we are always trying to improve and extend our service to these young people, and it means much to have our friends use their influence in behalf of this effort.

May the Yuletide season bring joy, happiness and prosperity to you and yours.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 4, 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Green,
R. F. D. 2
Media, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. and Mrs. Green,

Through Dr. M. N. English, of the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, we have learned of the sad and tragic passing of your daughter some days ago.

May I extend to you the warm sympathy of the students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College. Lean heavily upon Our Father during these hours of grief. Know that He does all things well, and he will be your comfort and your stay. How blessed it is to live and die in His service!

Know that we are thinking of you and praying for you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

December 4, 1937.

Dr. M. N. English,
The Board of Education of
The Methodist Episcopal Church,
740 Rush Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. English,

May I thank you for your letter in which you notified us of the sad and tragic passing of Miss Sarah E. Green, Secretary for Religious Education of Children.

It is with deep regret that we learn of this accident and pray for the recovery of Dr. Wright.

I am sending a note to Miss Green's parents. I have already written to Mrs. Wright.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 8, 1937.

Mrs. J. B. Murray,
R. F. D. 4,
Wellsville, New York.

My dear Mrs. Murray:

We just want to thank you and Mr. Murray for your thought of us - for the beautiful little plan which enables you to send us this donation of ten dollars at a time when we so greatly need it. It is just the spirit of friends like you and Mr. Murray that has kept us encouraged to put forth our best efforts during all of these years. We sincerely hope that the business in your "Tea Room" will meet with great success, for you so richly merit it.

We have a fine group of students this year and a conscientious, well-trained faculty group. Our only difficulty is the securing of maintenance funds.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. We regret that we will not see you in Florida this winter but will welcome you when you come again.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 8, 1937.

Mr. James Byrne,
598 Madison Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Byrne,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $15.00, which has been sent in by our Mr. Allen.

We are very happy to know that Mr. Allen has brought our work to your attention, and has convinced you of the worth-while-ness of our program. We hope that you will become even more interestdd in us as you know us better.

We have a splendid school here in Florida. Our enrollment in the junior college and teacher-training divisions is over two hundred, and we have a splendid group of conscientious, well-trained teachers. Because we have no appreciable endowment, the problem of maintenance has very acute during the years. Our friends have stood by us in such a noble way, however, that we have been able to carry on and expand our service to meet the increasing needs of the youths of this section.

We shall deeply appreciate your continued interest and help, and the use of your influence in helping Mr. Allen to make contacts in New York.

May the Yuletide season bring to you the blessings of joy, happiness and prosperity.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 8, 1937.

Miss Arlene Powers,
509 Lake Street,
Orlando, Florida.

Dear Miss Powers,

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to the Bethune-Cookman Birthday Club, credit for which was given as of this date. This donation was handed in by Mrs. Rees.

Please continue thoughtful of our work and use your influence to have others become interested in it. We anticipate an especial need for loan funds this year. So many students are having difficulty in keeping up the payments on their accounts. The Birthday Club, as you know, feeds the Rees Loan Fund, and any gifts to this club give direct aid to worthy, deserving students in the way of loans.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 8, 1937.

Miss Clara L. Crane,
Dalton, Massachusetts.

My dear Friend,

May we thank you for your continued friendship, and for your recent generous contribution of $50.00 to our work. This means so much to us at this time - more than we can ever express to you.

We have a splendid school this year - an enrollment of over two hundred in the junior college and teacher-training department; an excellent group of well-trained, conscientious teachers. Our only difficulty is that we are faced with an acute problem of maintenance. Our friends have stood nobly by us during these years and we pray that they will continue to do so.

Please continue prayerful for us and thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 9, 1937.

Mr. William J. Hutchins, President,
Berea College,
Berea, Kentucky.

My dear Mr. Hutchins,

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. Your generous contribution of fifteen dollars brings some real relief to the situation as it affects our maintenance at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

You will be interested to know that we have a fine student body this year - more than two hundred registered in the two Junior College classes. We have a splendid faculty, too - well-trained, conscientious men and women. Our most acute problem is the problem of maintenance. Friends have stood by us so nobly during these years and we hope that they will continue to do so until we have secured permanent endowment funds sufficient to provide maintenance.

Please continue thoughtful of us, Mr. Hutchins. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE

December 9, 1937

Mrs. Orah L. Keck,
17 Maple Street,
Chagrin Falls, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Keck,

May we express our deep appreciation to you for your continued interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College. It means so much to us to have our friends continue to stand so closely by this work. Your donation of two dollars helps greatly in meeting the many requirements of our maintenance program. Bless you for it, and for your friendship.

We have a splendid school this year - a fine enrollment and a conscientious group of well-trained teachers. We have no endowment yet, however, and this means that the day by day provision of maintenance funds furnishes a real problem to us.

Please continue thoughtful of us and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

May the Yuletide season bring to you many choice blessings.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 13, 1937.

Mrs. E. C. Cheshey,
74 Dawes Avenue,
Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Cheshey:

May we acknowledge the receipt of the package containing twenty-five beautiful white indianhead table runners for our dining tables. It means so much to the college to have the interest and good-will of the friends of Pittsfield.

We have sent a note to Mrs. Harley Jones, expressing our appreciation for these runners, and we request you to convey to the members of your church group of Pittsfield, our gratitude for this kindness.

The Advisory Board will sponsor a Christmas Dinner and Sale on Wednesday, December 15. Through your help we will be able to beautify our tables for this occasion.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 13, 1937.

Miss Miriam C. Reyer,
614 Portage Avenue,
South Bend, Indiana.

My dear Miss Reyer,

Bless you for your interest in the work you are trying to do here, and for your help to one of our most worthy boys. We have just received your letter of December 9, with postoffice money order for $18.00. We have credited $17.00 of this amount to the tuition account of Louis Stephens, and we are placing the $1.00 in the envelope with the Christmas card, to be handed to Louis when he comes out of class. He will be so delighted to receive this gift, for he so rarely has any way by which to secure spending money. Your kindness, generous thought of this boy will bring you good returns, I assure you.

May the Yuletide season bring to you the choice blessings that you so richly merit.

We enclose official receipt for this scholarship donation.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 13, 1937.

Mrs. Margarette G. Crossman,
Hampton Falls, New Hampshire.

My dear, dear Friend,

How beautifully generous and characteristic it was of you to place your check for one hundred dollars - to help with the maintenance of Bethune-Cookman College - in your lovely Christmas greeting card. I cannot tell you just how much this does mean to us - how much relief it brings at this time. May God bless you for your continued interest and friendship.

We have a fine student body this year, and a splendid group of conscientious, well-trained teachers. Our greatest problem arises from the fact that without an adequate endowment, the problem of maintenance is so acute.

We hope that we may see you inFDaytona Beach, and visiting Bethune-Cookman often this year. Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 13, 1937.

Mr. G. Sykes,
507 Ninth Street,
Ocean City, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Sykes,

May we express our deep appreciation to you for your kindly thought of us, for your interest in the program we are trying to foster here.

We are deeply grateful for your contribution of $1.00 to the Birthday Club, and enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please continue your interest in us and use your influence to have others to join the Birthday club.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 14, 1937.

Mrs. Emma B. Miller
225 South Monroe Street
Yazoo City, Mississippi

My dear Mrs. Miller,

Bless you for your confidence and interest in the work of our Institution. It means much to know that we have friends like you. We are most grateful for your contribution of $1.00 to our maintenance budget. This, and the use of your influence will help us during this year.

We have a fine student body and a splendid, conscientious group of workers. Our greatest problem is that of securing adequate funds to meet our maintenance needs. We are depending greatly upon our friends until we shall have secured a permanent endowment. I know that you will do everything you can in Mississippi, to keep our Negro friends reminded of our needs. The Emergency Campaign has not closed - the headquarters have just been changed from Washington to the College promotion office here. Tell all friends with whom you come in contact that we NEED them this year, as much as, or more than last year.

May the Yuletide season bring to you and yours the choice blessings that you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Mr Allens Folder

December 14, 1937.

Miss Mae C. Keeble,
Division of Recreation
for Colored People,
Madison and Lafayette Avenues,
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Miss Keeble,

May I say in reply to your letter of December 10 that Mr.Gerald E. Allen is in the employ of Bethune-Cookman College, as field secretary. Mr. Allen is receiving a regular salary for his services. His contract with us will close on April 1, 1938.

You may reach Mr. Allen by addressing him at 320 Manhattan Avenue, Apartment 67, New York City.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

December 14, 1937.

Mr. James P. Adams,
299 Doyle Avenue,
Providence, Rhode Island.

Dear Mr. Adams,

Last year you were kind enough to pledge to the Emergency Campaign in behalf of the maintenance of Bethune-Cookman College, a gift of ten dollars to our work. You stated that this contribution would be made upon receipt of a reminder from us.

We are greatly in need of maintenance funds at this time and we would be deeply grateful to you if you could send your contribution. It means much to us to have your confidence and interest. We hope also that you will use your influence in our behalf in that section.

May the Yuletide season bring to you the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 14, 1937.

President F. D. Bluford,
The Agricultural and Technical
College of North Carolina,
Greensboro, North Carolina.

My dear President Bluford,

Bless you for your confidence and interest in the work of our Institution. It means much to know that we have friends like you. We are most grateful for your contribution of $1.00 to our maintenance budget. This gift, and the use of your influence, will help us greatly during the year.

We have a fine student body this year and a splendid, conscientious group of workers. Our great problem is the securing of adequate maintenance funds to meet our needs. We are depending upon our friends until we shall have secured a permanent endowment. I know that you will do everything you can in North Carolina to keep our Negro friends reminded of our needs. The Emergency Campaign is not closed. The headquarters have just been transferred to our Promotion office here. Tell all friends with whom you come in contact that we NEED them this year, as much as, or more than last year.

May the Yuletide season bring to you and yours the choice blessings that you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Dinner

December 16, 1937.

Mrs. Hatfield, Hostess,
Peabody Community Club,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Hatfield,

May we express to you our sincere gratitude for the cooperation you always to the ladies of our Advisory Board whenever they are putting forth any special effort in behalf of our Institution.

We are especially grateful for the cooperation given in the Christmas Dinner and Sale held on yesterday. Your help and influence contributed to the success of this effort.

We sincerely hope that you will continue your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Done

December 16, 1937.

Mrs. L. Jones,
Ormond, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Jones,

Mrs. Rees has informed us of your cooperation with the special effort of the Advisory Board, and your lovely contribution to the Christmas Sale held yesterday. The success of the sale was due entirely to the untiring activity of the members of our Board, and the influence, cooperation and aid of their friends.

May we express to you our deep gratitude for your help, and solicit your continued interest in our work.

With best wishes for a happy Yuletide season,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 16, 1937.

Mrs. Fanny A. Evans,
Wellington Apartments,
124 Live Oak Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Evans,

We are deeply grateful for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your cooperation with every effort of our Advisory Board. Your generous contribution of $10.00 to the preparation for the Christmas Sale held yesterday was just another evidence of your good-will and your confidence. The success of this sale was due entirely to the untiring activity of the members of the Advisory Board, and to the cooperation and help of our staunch friends. May we express our warm appreciation to you for this gift, receipt for which is enclosed.

May the Yuletide season bring to you the choice blessings of health, happiness and prosperity that you so richly merit.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

By:
Secretary.

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December 16, 1937

Mrs. John R. Patterson
1105 - 18th Avenue, North
Nashville, Tennessee

My dear Mrs. Patterson:

May we thank you for your letter of December 10, in which you bring your qualifications for educational service to our attention.

We regret to say that we have no openings or opportunities for which you might be considered in Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event that we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 16, 1937.

Miss Grace Wood,
Mayfield, Pennsylvania.

My dear Miss Wood,

Mrs. Rees has informed us of your cooperation with the special effort of the Advisory Board, and your lovely contribution to the Christmas Sale held yesterday. The success of the sale was due entirely to the untiring activity of the members of our Board, and to the influence, cooperation and aid of their friends.

May we express to you our deep gratitude for your help in this effort, and for your help in the preparations for the Annual Bazaar to be held in February. We sincerely hope that your interest in Bethune-Cookman cill continue.

With best wishes for a happy Yuletide season, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 17, 1937.

Dr. M. W. Dogan,
Wiley College,
Marshall, Texas.

My dear Dr. Dogan:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman. I am depending strongly upon the interest and friendship and influence of friends all over the country, to help us maintain the work of Bethune-Cookman on its usual high standard, as I am using my time for the larger things.

Bless you for your response to our appeal. for your contribution of $1.00 at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever you can.

May the Yuletide season bring to you and yours the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Davis

December 17 - 1937

President John W. Davis,
West Virginia State College,
Institute, West Virginia.

My dear President Davis,

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman. I am depending strongly upon the interest, friendship and influence of friends all over the country, to help us maintain the work of Bethune-Cookman on its usual high standard, as I go about the country, trying to meet the larger need.

Bless you for your response to our appeal, for your contribution of $1.00 at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever you can.

May the Yuletide season bring to you and yours the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 17, 1937.

Mr. Martoccia,
Daytona Book Store,
232 South Beach Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Martoccia,

Mrs. Rees has told us of your kindness in ordering the Christmas greeting cards that are being sold for the benefit of the college, through the Daytona Book Store.

May we express our gratitude to you for this additional evidence of your interest in our institution. For so many years the Daytona Book Store has manifested a spirit of good-will and cooperation toward Bethune-Cookman.

May the Yuletide season bring to you and the other friends at the Book Store the blessings of happiness and prosperity.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 17, 1937.

Mrs. C. A. Powers,
Lake Mohawk,
Sparta, New Jersey.

Dear Mrs. Powers,

Mrs. Rees has told us of your interest in collecting designs for our Domestic Art Department, and we wish to express our sincere gratitude for this and all other evidences of interest in the work we are trying to do here.

Bethune-Cookman is, as you know, dependent upon her friends for such a large portion of the maintenance budget, and it means so much to have the strong women of our board and their friends, to give so generously of themselves - their influence, their cooperation and their means - that this work may go on.

May the Yuletide season bring to you and yours the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bazaar

December 21, 1937

Miss Julia Seabloom,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

Dear Miss Seabloom,

Mrs. Taylor has told us, and we have seen and benefited from the evidence of your splendid work with your YWA girls, in behalf of Bethune-Cookman College. The beautiful, saleable articles that the group has made under your direction, for our Bazaar, are so greatly appreciated. We value the material worth of the gift but we value even more this kind of cooperation - this good-will toward our program. The training that you are giving to these young people in interracial understanding means so much to the development of good citizenship and staunch Christianity. May God bless you for this aid.

On behalf of the College and of the Advisory Board I wish to express deep appreciation to you all. Please continue thoughtful of us. Just know that every thought, every gesture, every hour of service you give, are investments in human lives.

May the Yuletide season bring to you, your family and these beautiful, unselfish girls the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 23, 1937.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer,
370 Riverside Drive,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Pfeiffer,

I am sorry not to have had an opportunity to see you and talk with you. I know, however, that you are so busy, and my visits to New York are necessarily hurried.

I am writing to express my very deep gratitude for all that you are doing for my people. There must in your heart great appreciation to God for the privilege of sharing with Him the blessings that are yours. I think of what you have done for millions and for education. It is really phenomenal. You are blessed among women in this Nation. Each time a gift comes from you and your husband to the Cause of the evangelization of America and the world, it enhances your value among your fellowmen.

May I express to you the gratitude of Bethune-Cookman College for the generous help that you have given to us here. Your gift of three thousand dollars, given to our Institution through the Board of Education, is bringing invaluable assistance to us. It is making it possible for us to pay all salaries to teachers and employees for 1937, before the Christmas holidays. You cannot quite understand how happy you have made them all. May God bless you and multiply your gifts many times.

I know you will recall two years ago and the year before my appeal to you for the placing of Bethune-Cookman College upon your list for large gifts, looking toward the permanency of our program. You have had programs before you that would not permit you to place us on this list.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pfeiffer,
New York City,

December 23, 1937.

I am hoping earnestly that in making up your new lists for consideration during the coming year, or in future years, that you will think of the merits of our Institution. I shall be to you what Esau was to the Angel - I shall continue to wrestle until the blessing we crave and need, shall come.

God bless both you and Mr. Pfeiffer and may your Christmas bring to you that peace or heart and mind that you so richly merit because of your great blessings to others.

My Institution, both students and teachers, join me in extending to you and to Mr. Pfeiffer the greetings of the season and the gratitude in our hearts.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 23, 1937.

Mrs. Jesse Merrick Smith,
Gramercy Park Hotel,
Gramercy Park, West,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Smith,

It was a delight to have you with me on last Saturday evening. I think it was a challenging and interesting occasion.

I am writing simply to say to you that we are wishing for you the blessings of the season and to say again that I want you to place special emphasis on our work here at the College. Keep Bethune-Cookman in your heart and whenever it is possible for you to help us here, please do so. I must find a few friends who can do a few more large things for us. I trust sincerely that your affairs are so adjusting themselves that you can help us in a large way. I am trying to find a few friends to contribute one thousand dollars each to us in January. It may be possible for you to do this for us. I know you will, if it is in your power to do so. There are a few things here that I must do.

Please write me your impression of the meeting.

Students and teachers join me in expressing to you sincere wishes for a joyous Yuletide season.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

December 28, 1937.

Dr. Tullis, Pastor,
The Tourist Church,
501 North Wild Olive Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Dr. Tullis,

On Sunday afternoon, January 2, 1938, at three o'clock, we are planning to have a special service in our auditorium, centering the celebration of Emeancipation. We are planning a very extensive list of the old Negro melodies and spirituals, for we know how well they are received.

We are extending to you and Mrs. Tullis a very cordial invitation to be with us at this meeting. We shall be so glad to have you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 29, 1937.

The Manager of
The Seaside Inn,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir,

We are most grateful to you and to your guests for the opportunity given our students to sing Christmas Carols in your hotel on the evening of December twenty-fourth. We sincerely hope, as the season goes on, that another such opportunity will be given to our musical groups.

We are grateful also for your contribution of five dollars to the maintenance budget of Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 29, 1937.

Mr. Henry Haynes,
Hotel Princess Issena,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Haynes,

We are most grateful to you and to your guests for the opportunity given our students to sing Christmas carols in the Princess Issena on the evening of December 24th. We sincerely hope, as the season goes on, that another such opportunity will be given to our musical groups to entertain the guests of the Princess Issena.

We are grateful also for your contribution of twenty-six dollars to the maintenance budget of Bethune-Cookman College. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

May the New Year bring to you continued success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 29, 1937.

Dr. F. E. Harper, Treasurer,
First Congregational Sunday School,
Angola, New York.

Dear Dr. Harper,

We are deeply grateful to you and to the members of your Sunday School for your timely thought of our maintenance needs. Your recent contribution of $2.25 means much to us in material help and in the expression of your good-will toward us. May God bless each one of you for your share in lightening the load.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your gift.

May the New Year bring to you all the blessings of peace, renewed courage and continued opportunity for service.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Bethune
Horne
Personal

December 31, 1937

Dr. Frank Horne,
709 11th Street, Northeast,
Washington - D. C.

My dear Frank Horne,

Just a note to thank you and Frankye for your gorgeous gift to me. I just cannot find words to express my appreciation.

God bless you for your letter. You can never know what this means to me. I shall keep it always among my most choice possessions. May you continue to grow in strength and purpose and may the doors of opportunity and service continue to open for you.

With love to you both, I am

Always sincerely and gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 31, 1937

Miss Margaret Weaver
528 North Orange Avenue
DeLand, Florida

My dear Miss Weaver,

May I thank you for your continued interest in our work here.

We are planning a very interesting program for Sunday afternoon, January 2nd, and we shall be very glad to have you render a solo at that time.

With best wishes for your continued well-being during the New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

December 31, 1937.

Mrs. Margery F. Semple,
4 North Kingshighway,
Saint Louis, Missouri.

My dear Mrs. Semple,

We are so deeply grateful for your friendship and interest. They mean so much to the work of Bethune-Cookman at this time. The gift of ten dollars toward the maintenance budget comes in time to be included in the total which will be matched, dollar for dollar, by the friend mentioned in our previous letter.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 31, 1937.

Mrs. Mary Strang,
Orange City, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Strang,

May we thank you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and the manifestation of this interest through the Birthday Club. We have entered your gift of one dollar to the Club and thank you for it.

We are starting in the new year with renewed faith and hope, largely because of the loyalty of our friends. Please continue thoughtful of us, Mrs. Strang. Use your influence to have others join the Birthday Club and to help with our maintenance needs.

We shall expect to see you and your friends at our Sunday afternoon Community meetings during the season. These meetings are held at three o'clock each Sunday.

May the New Year bring to you the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 31, 1937.

Mrs. David M. Miller,
1037 East Jersey Street,
Elizabeth, New Jersey.

My dear Mrs. Miller,

We are more than grateful to you for your friendship, and for the help you have given to our maintenance budget at this time. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars came just at the time when we were making a desperate effort to pay our teachers before the Christmas holiday, and helped greatly in meeting this payroll.

We are starting in the new year with renewed faith and hope, largely because of the loyalty of our friends. Please continue thoughtful of, Mrs. Miller.

May the New Year bring to you and yours the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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December 31, 1937.

Mr. William Snodgrass,
Box 476,
Clermont, Florida.

Dear Mr. Snodgrass,

We are more than grateful to you for your friendship and help than we can tell you at this time. Your generous contribution of one hundred dollars came at a time when we were making a desperate effort to pay our teachers before the Christmas holiday and helped greatly in meeting this payroll.

We are starting in the new year with renewed faith and hope, largely because of the loyalty of our friends. Please continue thoughtful of us, Mr. Snodgrass.

We shall look forward to seeing you and Mrs. Snodgrass in attendance upon some of our Sunday meetings.

May the New Year bring to you and yours the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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DOMESTIC		CABLE	
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NIGHT LETTER		SHIP RADIOGRAM	

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COPY OF
WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

Daytona Beach, Florida
January 5, 1937

Mr. Edward R. Rodriguez
C/o Edward Waters College
Jacksonville - Florida

Have received your telephoned message - Regret I cannot remain in State until January twenty-seventh - I must return to Washington before that time - Please notify Mr. Austin

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Phoned 5:15 p.m. M

General

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Daytona Beach, Florida
January 11, 1937

Mr. L. D. Smith, Cashier,
First Savings and Trust Company,
Tampa, Florida

Please re-deposit my check No. 553 - Regret inconvenience and delay

Mary McLeod Bethune

Use of the words "Answer Western Union" in the text of this message will not be charged for and will expedite reply.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

(COLLECT)

Daytona Beach, Florida
January 12 - 1937

Mrs Mazie T Scott
Florida A and M College
Tallahassee, Florida

Cancelled

Have received your letter but no inquiry from Rosenwald Committee - Will be glad to help - Please have information sent here until January twenty-fourth

(s) Mary McLeod Bethune

Use of the words "Answer Western Union" in the text of this message will not be charged for and will expedite reply.

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DOMESTIC		CABLE	
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Daytona Beach, Florida
January 31, 1937

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
C/o Board of Education of the M. E. Church
740 Rush Street
Chicago - Illinois

Please see Dr. Holmes relative to balance of appropriation and matched dollar money - Need is extremely urgent

(signed) Abram L. Simpson

DL - Chg. to BCC

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WESTERN UNION GIFT ORDERS SOLVE THE PERPLEXING QUESTION OF WHAT TO GIVE.

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BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE=

IS WILLIAM BROWN ALL RIGHT VERY WORRIED WIRE ME AT ONCE BY WESTERNUNION=

MAGGIE BROWN 889 MONROE=

889=

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JN232 12=LEESBURG FLO 15 552P

PRES MARY M BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

MY HUSBAND PASSED FEB 14 FUNERAL FEB 17 AT LEESBURG=
SUSIE B MITCHELL.

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February 19, 1937

Sent
12 noon

Mr. A. P. Turner
Booker T. Washington High School
Miami, Florida

Regret- Having Basket-ball game tonight and Social tomorrow night. [redacted].

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1937 MAR 3 PM 12 01

DR MARY MCLEON BETHUNE=
PRESIDENT=BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

THE MATTERS WE DISCUSSED ARE BEING SETTLED AND AM SURE THE RESULTS WILL BE SATISFACTORY TO YOU PLEASE CONTACT ME FOR ANYTHING FURTHER=

CHARLES P BROWNING.

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Postal Telegraph
MONEY ORDER TELEGRAM

FORM 108—E.2736

#4 Student "Q"

Daytona Beach, Fla. Office   Mar. 5 37 Date

To Bethune Cookman College.

Address Daytona Beach, Fla.

The money order from Tampa Fla. (sending office)

dated Mar.5 37 for $ 10.00 signed Petronia Chancey.

paid you herewith, included a message as follows:

For Mrs.B.L.Mitchell.

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3:58
pm

Bd of Education

Daytona Beach - Florida
March 22 - 1937

Dr M J Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago - Illinois

Bethune-Cookman note of two thousand dollars favor First Atlantic National Bank matures March 23rd --- We are prepared to pay five hundred dollars on principal --- Will your Board provide funds at this time for further reduction of principal --- Please send usual authorization of the Board, by Western Union, required by Mr. Niven for renewal of balance

(Signed) Mrs C M Ranslow, Treasurer

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Daytona Beach, Florida.
March 26, 1937.

Miss Lillian Hines,
Box 246,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia

We have given favorable consideration to your application and will accept you as bookkeeper, Bethune-Cookman College, at salary of one hundred dollars per month - I will be here at the College until Monday, March 29th and will appreciate it if you could report that morning if possible

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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JN N53 48 NL=ATLANTA GA 26

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE, PRESIDENT=
BETHUNE COLEMAN COLLEGE

DEAR MRS BETHUNE MY SINCERE THANKS AND DEEPEST APPRECIATION FOR YOUR FAVORABLE CNSIDERATION I REGRET THAT I CANNOT ACCEPT LESS THAN ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS PER MONTH COULD NOT BEGIN WORK EARLIER THAN APRIL FIFTEENTH ANYWAY HOPE YOU WILL HAVE NO DIFFICULTY IN FILLING POSITION

SINCERELY YOURS=
LILLIAN HINES.

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JNN8 26 10=ATLANTA GA 28 549P

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE, PRES=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

:ACCEPT WITH THANKS OFFER MARCH TWENTY EIGHTH EFFECTIVE APRIL FIFTEENTH=

LILLIAN HINES.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
March 28, 1937

Miss Lillian Hines,
Box 246,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Can offer you cash salary of one hundred twenty five dollars per month, plus living expenses for balance of this fiscal year ending June 30th - New arrangement will be made for new year - Wire if acceptable - May we expect you April 15th -

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 31, 1937

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
1812 Ninth Street, Northwest
Washington - D C

Mrs James resigned today effective April 1st - Action final - no dissatisfaction - wants rest and time for home - Advise

(signed) Abram L. Simpson

chg.

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Daytona Beach, Florida

April 2, 1937

Mr Gerald E Allen
716 North Arlington Avenue
Baltimore, Maryland

Sending all material by express prepaid today

Bertha L Mitchell.

4/2/37
5p.m

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Daytona Beach, Florida,

April 3, 1937.

Attorney Robert L. Vann,
C/o The Pittsburgh Courier,
2628 Centre Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College join me in extending you invitation to deliver our commencement address Tuesday afternoon, June 1st, 3 o'clock - Please answer by wire

chg to BCC

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Form 16

1937 APR 5 PM 2 29

JE45 13=PPC PITTSBURGH PENN 5 148P

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
=BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE DAYTONABEACH FLO=

WILL DELIVER YOUR COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS JUNE 1 AS REQUESTED IN TELEGRAM JUST RECEIVED=

ROBERT L VANN.

Telephone Your Telegrams to Postal Telegraph

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Sent 3 p.m.

May 13, 1937

Mr. Gerald E. Allen
8311 Quincy Avenue
Negro Welfare Association
Cleveland, Ohio

Expense check for sixty-three dollars twenty-five cents mailed you Monday 10th to above address.

B. L. Mitchell.

Chg. Bethune-Cookman College

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May 30, 1937

Mrs. L. C. Morris
2606 Seventeenth Avenue
Tampa, Florida

Theola desires to leave by Bus for Tampa Sunday morning. Balance due her account indicated in my last letter - May 28 - $22.00. We cannot give her permission to leave until this balance is paid or word from you by wire of exact date when it will be paid. Answer.

B. L. Mitchell

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Student "H"

June 2, 1937

Mrs. A. B. Hamliton
2012 North Sixth Avenue
Pensacola, Florida

Wired you yesterday cannot permit Lorraine to leave until balance of $50.00 paid.

Wire -

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
June 9, 1937

President W. J. Hale,
Tennessee A. and I. State Normal School,
Nashville, Tennessee.

Am informed that check has not reached Washington - Please stop payment and send duplicate check here

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

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1937 JUN 12 AM 7 31

MINUTES IN TRANSIT	
FULL-RATE	DAY LETTER

MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=

SOCIAL WORK OF STLOUIS FACING SERIOUS CRISIS PROPOSED ALDERMANIC LEGISLATION ABOLISHING CERTAIN SERVICES AND ESTABLISHING CERTAIN DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES WOULD VIOLATE PRINCIPLES OF PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT WOULD SERIOUSLY AFFECT ESTABLISHED STANDARDS OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICE IN THIS COMMUNITY

NEED FOR PROFESSIONAL TRAINING AND SOCIAL SERVICES TO ACCOMPANY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION FOR DEPENDENT POPULATION DENIED BY THIS LEGISLATIVE BODY

YOUR SUPPORT WILL HELP AVERT COMMUNITY CRISIS WIRE WESTERNUNION WILLIAM MASON PRESIDENT BOARD OF ALDERMEN STLOUIS MISSOURI=

IRENE MORRIS AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SOCIAL WORKERS.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE ARCHIVES

COPY OF WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

Daytona Beach - Florida ---- June 14, 1937

Dr M J Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

Will close books as of June 30th - Appropriation checks received and used as suggested by you - Deficit at June 30th $2,944.25 - have paid since then $1,539 - deficit today $1,405.25 ---

Executive Committee voted the appointment of Abram Simpson as Acting President Bethune-Cookman - May we have your approval - Wire

(s) Mary McLeod Bethune.

Also to Prince George Hotel

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June 14, 1937

Mr. Edward R. Ellerbe, Editor
Colored Page - Florida Times Union
400 West Adams Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Need cuts of Faith Hall, Tuesday for Student Bulletin - Send special Delivery.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE.

chg - Bethune- Cookman College.

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JNA188 45 DL=NPG NEWYORK NY 14 732P

PRESIDENT MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

MY KNOWLEDGE MR SIMPSON IS BASED ON MR ARTHUR WRIGHTS FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION STOP HAVING CONFIDENCE IN YOUR JUDGEMENT AND YOUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE I WILLINGLY JOIN IN ACTION TAKEN STOP I ASSUME WE CAN DISCUSS PLANS AT BOARD MEETING CHICAGO JULY TWENTY SECOND CONGRATULATIONS FINANCIAL CLOSING=

M J HOLMES.

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1937 JUL 14 PM 4 59

JNA135 14=QS CHICAGO ILL 14 306P

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

DOCTOR HOLMES NOW IN NEWYORK PRINCE GEORGE HOTEL EXPECTED IN CHICAGO END OF WEEK=

THOMAS F HOLGATE.

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JMA184 12=COLUMBIA SOCAR 16 820P

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

WE ARE LEAVING MONDAY WOULD LIKE TO KNOW RESULTS OF BOARD ACTION=

A L SIMPSON.

Allen University

Mrs. Bethune enroute Alabama- Her letter to you regarding Executive Board action mailed July fifteenth

B. L. Mitchell, Secretary

D.L.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
June 17, 1937.

Mr. William Sigmund,
Oyster Harbor Clubs,
Osterville, Massachusetts.

Regret unable to supply two girls for work as per request through Mr. Ralph Long -

Bethune-Cookman College.

COLLECT.

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Daytona Beach, Florida

July 12, 1937.

Mrs. Mame Mason Higgins
4406 Indiana Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Come to me at once to begin work second session summer school Department Education - Need you Wednesday morning, July 14th - Start tonight - Will wire ticket if needed - Come prepared to remain for fall school - See new light - Dont fail

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
July 12 - 1937.

Mr. Stanley A. Harris, B. S. A.
South Washington, Virginia

Boy Scout Institute xxxxx July 22nd through 25th

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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JNA48 6/9 SER=TDW SOUTH WASHINGTON VIR 12 949A

MRS MARY BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

WHEN DOES BOY SCOUT INSTITUTE OPEN WIRE WESTERNUNION COLLECT=
STANLEY A HARRIS B. S. A.

July 22-25

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Daytona Beach, Florida
July 20 - 1937

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
Wiley College
Marshall, Texas

Mr. Simpson will be Chicago Theological Seminary Building University of Chicago next three days, then 303 South Hazel Street Hope Arkansas - stop - Do you wish him have conference Dr. Holmes Board of Education 740 Rush while there - Unless you prefer being present at such conference suggest you wire him or Holmes - Thanks for itinerary

(signed) Bertha L. Mitchell

Charge to BCC

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1937 AUG 7 AM 9 59

JNA43 34 DL GOVT=JACKSONVILLE FLO 7 952A

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

WOULD LIKE FOR YOU TO ACCEPT INVITATION TO GIVE ADDRESS AND PRESENT CERTIFICATES TO GRADUATES AT CLOSING EXERCISES OF NYA HOUSEHOLD TRAINING PROJECT THURSDAY EVENING SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH INFORM US IMMEDIATELY WHETHER YOU CAN=

EDWARD R RODRIGUEZ NYA STATE SUPERVISOR NEGRO WORK.

Regret - In Jax Tues [illegible] Dr. Grant's Reception - Cannot return Thurs,
If closing exercises were Tuesday would hand out cert but no address

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Cannot return

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JNA10 40 NL=JACKSONVILLE FLO 6

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE=

RECEIVED YOUR TELEGRAM LAST SATURDAY IMMEDIATELY PLANNED A CITY WIDE CIVIC MASS MEETING WITH JOE JAMES AND RODRIGUEZ ASSISTING THE PRESS HAS CARRIED NOTICES PRACTICALLY EVERYDAY I AM WAITING PRAYERFULLY FOR YOUR FAVORABLE ANSWER WIRE ME SOON AS POSSIBLE=

EGBERT.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
August 7 - 1937

Mr. Edward R. Rodriguez
NYA State Supervisor Negro Work
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

Will be Jacksonville Tuesday night for Bishop Grant's reception - If closing exercises were at that time would present certificates but could make no address - Very tired -- Impossible to return there Thursday

(s) Mary McLeod Bethune

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Daytona Beach, Florida
August 9 - 1937

Mr. Abram L. Simpson
303 South Hazel Street
Hope, Arkansas

Plan to bring your family and furnishings with you - Will have place arranged for you. Would like for you to come as early as possible.

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune

Charge to BCC

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Daytona Beach, Florida
August 10, 1937

Bishop and Mrs. R. A. Grant
C/o Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

Sincere felicitations and congratulations on this occasion - May you be spared together for many more years of service - Regret I cannot be with you this evening

(s) Mary McLeod Bethune

day(letter)

s-BCC

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1937 AUG 11 AM 10 53

JNA74 10=HOPE ARK 11 922A

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

FAMILY COMING LATER SHALL ARRIVE SATURDAY OR SUNDAY WILL WIRE=

=ABRAM L SIMPSON.

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JNB103 10=OCALA FLO 13 259P

G W TAYLOR=
CYPRESS ST

COMPLETE LAYETTE MISSING EXHIBIT PLEASE LOCATE SEND BY MRS SPRINKLE=

CYNTHIA MAY MABBETT STATE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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JNA139 49 NL COLLECT=NEWYORK NY 24

MRS BERTHA MITCHELL= 77-4
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

PRESENT LULL DUE TO VACATION GREATLY ENCOURAGED BY PROSPECTS FOR SEPTEMBER AND ENSUING MONTHS GROUND WORK MADE FOR INTENSIVE DRIVE AMONG WEALTHY PROSPECTIVE CONTRIBUTORS STOP PATIENCE AND CONFIDENCE IMPERATIVE PRESENT OUTLAY OF EXPENSES AND SALARIES SHOULD NOT CLOUD VISION FOR TREMENDOUS POSSIBILITY DELAY IN EXPENSE CHECK IMPEDES PROGRESS=

GERALD ALLES.

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JNA162 50 NL=WASHINGTON DC 1

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE DAYTONABEACH FLO=

THIS IS TO ADVISE THAT I HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY OFFICIAL NOTIFICATION OF MY APPOINTMENT AND HAVE BEEN TOLD THAT I WOULD BE CALLED IN FOR AN INTERVIEW BY LAMSON A MUTUAL FRIEND ADVISED ME TO WIRE YOU OF THE UNCERTAIN STATE OF AFFAIRS CONCERNING THE FILLING OF THE POSITION=

WILLIAM C SYPHAX.

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SEPTEMBER 2, 1937

President James Lewis
105 East Union Street
Jacksonville Florida

Leaving for American Beach Thursday Sept 2 - Possibly four in party -

Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College

(Margaret Bethune - Sender)

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September 4, 1937

(Charged Mary McLeod Bethune)

Mr. James H Lewis
105 East Union Street
Jacksonville- Florida

Dispatch message - President Mary McLeod Requested talk from Attorney DeVaughn as a Citizen" 4:00 p.m. today Presbyterian Church

Ethel L Richardson
Bethune-Cookman College

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Daytona Beach, Florida
September 6, 1937

Miss Hallie Hampton
Sumter, South Carolina

Are you available for work at Bethune-Cookman College this year

(s) Mary McLeod Bethune

Charge to BCC-

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Daytona Beach, Florida
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Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Dansby
St. Phillips Hospital
Richmond - Va.

News has reached me of ~~the~~ your serious accident ~~that has come to you~~ -- Bethune-Cookman College sympathizes with you and will be glad to serve in whatever way ~~we can~~ possible -- Keep up your faith and your courage -- His strength is sufficient --- Let us know conditions

(s) Mary McLeod Bethune

(Dayletter - charge to Bethune-Cookman College)

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Daytona Beach, Florida
September 6, 1937

Mrs. Sarah Yeoman Heard,
454 West 146th Street,
New York City.

Are you available to consider position executive manager Boarding Department Bethune-Cookman College this year - Wire

(s) Mary McLeod Bethune

(Charge to BCC)

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Form 16 P.W.

WB10 44 DL=DAYTON OHIO 1127A SEP 7 1937

MRS MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
1734 NY AVE NORTHWEST=

PLEASE ADVISE IF SEPTEMBER TWENTY SIXTH CAN BE ANNOUNCED AS DATE FOR YOUR ADDRESS STOP ANXIOUS TO GIVE PUBLICITY TO OCCASION STOP PLEASE SEND US A CUT AND ANY NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY WHICH WE MAY USE STOP VERY HAPPY TO LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR COMING=

VIOLA T LEWIS. 5th St Branch, Y. W. C. A.

1155A "Public Education Meeting"

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COLLECT

Daytona Beach, Florida
September 9, 1937.

Mrs. Viola T. Lewis,
Fifth Street Branch,
Young Women's Christian Association,
Dayton, Ohio.

Regret cannot be with you September twenty-sixth - Pressing engagements made previously

(signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

Have sent
Elaine

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Daytona Beach, Florida
September 10, 1937

President David D Jones
Bennett College
Greensboro, North Carolina

Have reserved special NYA aid for Gwendolyn Watson of Daytona Beach

Hope you can accept her

(signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

chg to Bec

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Daytona Beach, Florida
September 11, 1937

Miss Rosalie I. Singleton
408 South Dearborn Street
Mobile, Alabama

Letter received - Will offer you eighty five dollars per month plus room and board for nine months - Possibility of two months work in summer school - Need you immediately - If offer accepted come at once

(signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

Sent
1:00 p.m.

Charge to Bethune-Cookman College.

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JND80 47 NL 3 EXTRA=JACKSONVILLE FLO 12

1937 SEP 12 PM 9 22

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

YOUR LETTER UNDER DATE AUGUST 31 STATES NYA ALLOWANCE OF FIFTEEN DOLLARS IS POSSIBLE FOR ME THE DEFICIT MENTIONED HAD BEEN PROVIDED FOR A LETTER FROM ACTING PRESIDENT AUGUST 30 STATES IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO SECURE THE GRANT LET ME KNOW WHAT TO DO=

WILHELMENA JONES 1503 VANBUREAN ST

1503 31

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1937 SEP 14 AM 7 14

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

MISS WYCOFF CALLED ME AT 130 TODAY TO TAKE AN EXAMINATION AT 2 PM THE THREE OTHER APPLICANTS TWO FROM OUT OF TOWN MUST HAVE RECEIVED SOME LONGER NOTICE I AM TO SEE MR LAMSON TOMORROW AT 1020 THE APPOINTMENT IS TO BE MADE THIS WEDNESDAY=
BILL LYPHAX.

130 2 PM 1020.

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Congratulations
via POSTAL TELEGRAPH

Form 17

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JE57 10 CGTL=TALLAHASSEE FLO 15 414P

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=

:BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE DAYTONA BEACH FLO=

CONGRATULATIONS FOR PAST SUCCESS AND BEST WISHES FOR THE FUTURE=

J R E LEE PRESIDENT.

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4:08 pm

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Daytona Beach, Florida.

September 30, 1937

Mrs. Ella Mae Aikens
226 Twelfth Street
Fernandina, Florida

Carrie Coakley returning home Friday at 10 A. M.

Mame M. Higgins, Director of Women
Bethune-Cookman College.

Charge to BCC

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Daytona Beach, Florida

October 13, 1937

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
316 Tea Street, Northwest
Washington - D C

Mr Simpson desires know if you plan going to Southern Association meeting Orangeburg or if you desire him attend - Wire

(Signed) B. L. Mitchell

Charge to BCO

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10/25/37

Rev. E. C. McLeod
431 W. Ashley Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Would like for you to give invocation on Dedication program tomorrow afternoon - wire.

Abram L. Simpson

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Daytona Beach, Florida

October 25, 1937

Mr. Hill
Howard University
Washington - D C

Lucy Slowe's place must be filled - May I present, through you, the name of Miss Mae C. Hawes for the consideration of the President - I feel that she is fitted in training and experience to do a splendid job in this field - I will call you upon my arrival in Washington Tuesday

(Signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

CHARGE TO BCC.

5 2 Two cents for both

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Nov. 3, 1937

To—Mr. Charles James
Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Fla.

Bring King and one other official for game to-morrow

H. Samuel Hill

Bethune-Cookman
College

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To – Mr. T. B. McPherson
Lincoln High School,
Gainesville, Fla.

Can you officiate in game here to-morrow? Wire if you cannot

H. Samuel Hill.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
November 4, 1937.

Mr. Frank Love,
214 Stuart Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Gussie Miller forced to withdraw from school - - Sending home this afternoon

Abram L. Simpson, Acting President.

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JNA8 9=JACKSONVILLE FLO 26 727A

MRS M M BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN INSTITUTE

OUR DAUGHTER ERNEST DIED WEDNESDAY FUNERAL SATURDAY THREE OCLOCK=

MR AND MRS CHAS SIMMONS.

Mr and Mrs, Charles Simmons and Family
434 West Ashley Street
Jacksonville, Florida.

The faculty and students of Bethune-Cookman College join me expressing deep sympathy in the passing of your loved one. Lean heavily upon our Heavenly Father for solace and comfort during these dark hours.

Mary McLeod Bethune

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November 27, 1937

Florida State Teachers Association
Mount Zion A. M. E. Church
Magnolia Avenue
Ocala, Florida

Bethune-Cookman extends invitation for your next meeting to convene here.

Abram L. Simpson

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JNA116 38 NL=BRUNSWICK GA 28

MRS MARY M BETHUNE=
=BETHUNE & COOKMAN COLLEGE

=PLEASE WIRE ME BACK AT ONCE THE CHARGES FOR YOU TO DELIVER THE EMANCIPATION ADDRESS ON JAN 1 IF IT IS POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO DO SO WE DESIRE YOU IF NOT CAN DEAN BORNS COME WIRE COLLECT=

J P ATKINSON.

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Daytona Beach, Florida
November 27, 1937

Dr. R. R. Williams,
1330 Central Avenue,
Tampa, Florida.

My congratulations and felicitations to the Negro citizens of Tampa upon the significance of the cornerstone laying of the new City Hospital - This represents a real accomplishment and a great blessing to humanity - May continued success attend your efforts

(signed) Mary McLeod Bethune.

Charge to Bethune-Cookman

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November 29, 1938

To - Mr. John Tutt
Haines Institute
Augusta, Georgia

Forced to cancel game - no park available - too late for other arrangements.

H. Samuel Hill

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Daytona Beach, Florida

November 29, 1937

COLLECT - DAY LETTER

Mr. J. P. Atkinson
Brunswick, Georgia
(C/o Western Union)

Mrs. Bethune's engagements will not permit her to serve you January first - Dean Bond will be glad to give Emancipation address his charges being what you usually pay for this service - Please communicate with him - Dean James A. Bond, Bethune-Cookman College

(signed) B.L. Mitchell, Secretary.

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Form 16

JE23 11=TAMPA FLO 5 64/P= 2710.25 1937 DEC 5 PM 7 12

MRS B L MITCHELL=
BETHUNE COOKMANCOLLEGE DAYTONABEACH FLO=

SENDING FIFTEEN DOLLARS MONEY ORDER TOMORROW. PLEASE LET EDITH ATTEND CLASSES=

MRS CHANEY.

28.75

Telephone Your Telegrams to Postal Telegraph

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Bethune-Cookman College
December 6, 1937

Mrs. Petronia Chaney
2710 25th Street
Tampa, Florida

Edith's full balance of $28.75 must be paid before she can enter classes.

B. L. Mitchell

COLLECT

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Daytona Beach, Florida
December 6, 1937

Mr. William Nixon
106 Leila Street
Jacksonville, Florida

Thelma Nixon's full balance of $28.00 for first quarter must be paid before she can register for second quarter - Friday December 10 is last day for second quarter registration - Must receive balance before that day or she must withdraw

(Signed) Abram L. Simpson, Acting President,
Bethune-Cookman College.

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Received at

1937 DEC 9 PM 11 02

JNA232 68 NL COLLECT=NEWYORK NY 9

MRS BERTHA MITCHELL= 87+6[illegible]
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

RECEIVED FIRST EXPENSE CHECK FOR NEARLY THREE MONTHS FOR $21 HAVE BEEN USING SALARY CHECK TO COVER EXPENSES THIS SITUATION HAS PLACED ME IN MOST EMBARRASSING POSITION SINCE MY OBLIGATIONS ARE PAST DUE AND CREDITORS WILL ONLY WAIT UNTIL SATURDAY I FIND MYSELF WITHOUT FUNDS FOR EITHER LIVING EXPENSES OR FOR MAKING NECESSARY CONTACTS IMPERATIVE THAT SALARY CHECK BE SENT AT ONCE SPECIAL DELIVERY AWAIT REPLY=

GERALD ALLEN.

Answered by Mr. Taylor
12/10/37

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HOLIDAY GREETINGS
WESTERN UNION
25¢ and 35¢
ANYWHERE
20¢ LOCALLY
ASK FOR LIST OF SPECIAL GREETINGS SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN

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7 PM 11 51

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JNA217 63 NL=TAMPA FLO 7

ALBERT BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COLLEGE

WOULD APPRECIATE IF YOU WOULD LEND ADDITIONAL COLOR TO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FORMAL BANQUET AT APOLLO BALLROOM FRIDAY NIGHT DECEMBER 10TH. TABLE ALREADY RESERVED FOR YOUR PARTY OF FOUR. OCCASION EXPECTED TO MAKE HISTORY AND NATURALLY WE APPRECIATE IN ADVANCE YOUR USUAL COOPERATION. DOORS OPEN EIGHT FIFTEEN AND CLOSE AT EIGHT FORTY FIVE PROMPTLY. YOUR TUCK IS YOUR CARD OF ADMISSION=

C BLYTHE ANDREWS PRESIDENT.

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Student

Daytona Beach, Florida
December 15 - 1937

Mrs. Rebecca Bryant
609 Hart Street
Clearwater, Florida

Altamese left for home via Bus this morning at 7:15

(Signed) Mame M. Higgins, Director of Women.

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Student

Daytona Beach, Florida
December 15, 1937

Mrs. Theodore Polite
514 Ninth Avenue
Bartow, Florida

Ethel left for home via Bus this morning at 7:15

(signed) Mame M. Higgins
(Director of Women)

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Student

Daytona Beach, Florida
December 17, 1937

Mr J B Williams
414 Northwest 17th Street
Miami, Florida

Annie Mae leaving 10:45 A. M. today for Miami -

(Signed) Mame M. Higgins,
Director of Women.

(COLLECT)

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[illegible] DEC 27 AM 11 [illegible]

JN87 10=GREENSBORO NCAR 27 1108A

DR MARY MCLEOD BETHUNE=
BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE

BROUGHT MOTHER HERE FOR OPERATION L RICHARDSON HOSPITAL GREENSBORO ANXIOUS=

CHARLOTTE HAWKINS BROWN.

You are

14.93

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General

Daytona Beach, Florida

December 29, 1937

Mr. A. A. Turner
Florida A. and M. College
Tallahassee, Florida

Please do not schedule me for any meeting - If I can attend I will

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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JN273 33 DL=TAMPA FLO 31 411P

BETHUNE COOKMAN COLLEGE=

[illegible]

MRS. ROGERS'S FATHER DIED IN BOSTON MASS. YESTERDAY REMAINS WILL BE SHIPPED TO BRADENTON FOR BURIAL. ELEANOR MAY BE DELAYED IN GETTING BACK ON ACCOUNT OF FUNERAL WHICH WILL PROBABLY BE NEXT TUESDAY=

G D ROGERS.

Letter from College

memo to Mr [illegible] Dean Bond

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General Correspondence (Incoming) 1938

General

Mary Lewis Memorial Scholarship Fund
To
Edward Waters College
By
Young People's Department
Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society

MRS. RUTH L. LOGAN, State Superintendent

Jacksonville. Fla.
Jan. 1st - 1938.

Mrs. M. M. Bethune,
Daytona. Beach. Fla.
Dear Friend,

Yours received. I was so happy to hear from You and I knew Yr would help us in the Conference Meeting. I am glad Yr liked that Youth's Day Program. We are trying to have a Religious Institute for one day, closing with the Oratorical Contest at night.

Do Yr have School on Saturday. If not we will appreciate it, if we could have Your Saturday's Session in Your chapel, or some ample Auditorium. It will have to be according to [illegible]

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VIRGINIA STATE COLLEGE FOR NEGROES
PETERSBURG, VIRGINIA

JOHN M. GANDY, PRESIDENT

WILLIAM A. ROGERS, SECRETARY

LUTHER H. FOSTER
TREASURER-BUSINESS MANAGER

Donor

January 3, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

For sometime now I have been intending to acknowledge receipt of your letter regarding Bethune-Cookman. I am not in a position to do what I should like for your school, as much as I believe in the worth of your cause, however, I hope that one dollar will do at least one hundred cents' worth of help.

Very sincerely yours,

John M. Gandy

John M. Gandy
President

JMG:VC

Student

1701-5th Ave.
Tampa, Fla.
Jan. 3, 1938

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

First of all allow me to hope you spent a very merry Christmas and that this New Year will bring you happiness and prosperity.

As you have learned already, I suppose. I was in Daytona Sunday. Had hoped to see you, but at the time I arrived you were going into meeting.

I want to thank you for all you have done for Marcus Davis. I assure you that I do appreciate your kindness.

Now about Thomas, you know he was asked to withdraw from the school because they were unable to secure N.Y.A. aid for him. Since this time he has received (2) two Checks from the school the first bearing the school seal. I don't quite understand just how this happened after he was told he was not on the N.Y.A. I am sure you will know about it. Of course I have the checks unsigned. Mr. Taylor, said he wanted the checks signed and returned to the school. But what I'd like to know is will it be possible for these two checks to be applied to Marcus schooling. Or just what disposition will be made of them? I assure you that as soon as I hear from you I will act. In other words I will have the checks signed and returned to you.

Thanking you in advance for a very early reply.

I am respectfully yours,

(Mrs.) M. L. Lightner, mother

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Mrs.Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Mrs.Bethune:

I regret very much that I did not have the privilege of seeing you while in Washington. I went by your office and was pleased and impressed with your setup.

I have not had any word from Mrs.Wilkerson as to what has been reported to her in our drive for Bethune Cookman College.

As you know,things realy went to pieces here in South Carolina this fall and there is quite abit of suffering among our people. We wanted to raise at least one hundred dollars here,but have not been able to do much thus far.

I am enclosing herewith a check for twenty five dollars for the school,half of which was given by friends here. The other is my personal donation. Hope this will help in some way.

Mrs.Howard joins in tender regards.

Your friend,

A. R. Howard.

A.R.Howard.

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Jan. 6, 1938

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, Pres.,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

It always gives pleasure to hear from you and have it bring to mind the large work you have accomplished in Daytona Beach. Your life has been a very busy and worthwhile one, and I like to recall your accomplishments and it is an inspiration to me even at this late evening of my own life. I also take pleasure in enclosing my check, as promised.

In the men that one meets there is not one in a hundred who is looking for outside sources for which to contribute endowment funds. Perhaps one in a thousand would be a nearer estimate, but I will try to keep you in mind when talking with men whom I think have money with which to make such satisfactory, perpetual investments.

With cordial best wishes,

Very truly yours,

E. H. Mack

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January 10, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Daytona Cookman Institute
Daytona Beach, Fla.

1990 Seneca Ave. 25 Apt.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Les Seize club Inc is making an earnest effort to clear all financial statements since the initial meeting in 1924.

According to our records during the year of 1927 we awarded a scholarship thru you to a Miss Margaret Johnson a student in your school.

We would like, if it is possible, for you to send us some data on the activities of Miss Johnson, if she is married or what she has done, as we have never received a letter from the young woman since she received the scholar ship in 1927. We try to follow the progress of our students to whom we have awarded our scholarships to learn also of their contribution to society.

At your suggestion a sum of money was awarded to endow a bed in the hospital that you had just built and to which you requested we make a contribution.

Will you state the exact amount received for this endowment and also let us know to some degree how this service has served the community of Daytona Beach, Fla.

We are still interested in all institution and persons whom we have helped as further contributions to such appeals depend on how effectively our contrybutions have helped.

We appreciate the fine work you have done and are doing in the building of a fine type of negro youth.

We hear with pride the results of your splendid work in the National Youth Administration. When you are in New York again please try to pay us a visit at your convenience.

Trusting you will favor us with an early reply, with all the best wishes possible for the new year, we remain,

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Office Of The Executive Vice Chairman
207 9th Ave.
Bradenton, Florida

January 12, 1938.

Mrs. M. M. Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am inclosing copies of letters that I am writing to Mr. C. C. Codrington, Commissioner of the State Board of Social Welfare at Jacksonville, Florida and Mr. Harold Ikes, Department of Interior at Washington, D. C. Same is self explanatory. You will note from the subject matter of Mr. Codrington's letter that we have been trying to get a part of the $10,000.00 left over by the E. R. A. allocated for the training of the Negro Social workers in the state and have made various attempts by contacting members of the state Board of Social welfare, one of which lives here in Tampa, but don't seem to get any results.

In the daily papers last Friday it was announced that classes for the training of Social workers would be started at the University of Florida at Gainesville very soon but no mention of classes for Negroes. I am wondering if, when you get back to Washington would it be expedient for you to approach Secretary Ikes in this matter supporting our claim.

Funds left over in the E. R. A. as we understand were Federal funds and certainly such funds should be spent for the benefit of all the people, we believe.

Trusting that you have spent a very profitable vacation from Washington and that your health is Good; I am planning to get over there in a few days if possible, however, sickness and pressing business are keeping me close around home at the present time.

Please tender my best wishes to the faculty and student body, especially Eleanor, I am

Sincerely yours,

G. D. Rogers

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Friday A. M.
Jan. 14, 1938.

My dear,

There has just come to me a Questionaire from the local Youth Administration Office and signed by Mr. Richey, asking information relative to employment and recreational facilities for our boys and girls. I am happy to have the opportunity to touch, especially, the latter problem because I feel I have something to contribute along that line. I am telling you because this is the first time I have been asked to make any kind of contribution since either Mr. Mance or Mr. Richey have been in control. When the first local Administrator came Mr. DeFrantz brought him directly to me for conference and told him that I probably knew more about recreational activities and their possibilities here than any other person for I had many years experience to my credit. Mr. Middleton (I think the name is correct) was very affable and extremely interested but further conferences showed that he would use my advice + but he could not use me. I had asked that I be allowed to name competent directors so that all efforts as nearly as possible be of a cultural character. I found eventually that I was left out. I am ever so willing to aid in this matter – in fact I will go my limit but, dear Mary, I want to be a directing force. I am writing this confidentially If possible, do something which may establish confidence in whatever relationship I may be able to form with the present officials. If that can be done, I assure you that this time next year, you will be proud of the "Youth Administration" in Indianapolis.

No one has my confidence in this matter. In fact I have never discussed the affair with anyone thus far. You can, as I trust you know, believe me wholly.

Lovingly,
Lillian.

General

Eloise

Send all literature

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Shamrock, Florida
January 14, 1938

Dear Madam:

It is my desire to present to the students during Negro History Week some of the outstanding Negroes of today.

Would you be kind enough to please send me a photograph of yourself and a picture of the campus. I will greatly appreciate your immediate respond to this request. Thanks.

Yours respectfully,
A. Bonita Robinson
Shamrock, Florida

Student

Send Catalog

1804 N. 24th Street,
Philadelphia Pa,
January 24, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am writing to ask you if you will please give me information concerning a N. Y. A. scholarship in your school.

I am a high school graduate of The Philadelphia

High School for Girls. I have had eight years of training in piano and am considered to be very efficient in music.

For reference I refer you to my cousins Miss C. J. Ryalls, who taught mathematics in your summer school in 1934, and Mr. Kelsey Pharr of Miami Florida. I shall be glad to give you other references if necessary.

If possible I would love to secure a scholarship for the summer school and next winter.

I shall thank you very kindly for the information

Yours Truly,
Alice L. Green

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Mr Simpson

General

355 PARK AVENUE

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January 25th, 1938

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

I am wondering whether you still operate your farm. I have, on my farm, a nine months old bull calf. He is half Guernsey and half Jersey and is a very fine specimen. I would be glad to give him,for breeding purposes.

I have been making plans with Mr. Gerald Allen to arrange a meeting for his concert group.

With best wishes to you and hoping to hear from you very soon about my bull calf, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Alice T. L. Parsons

Mrs. Edgerton Parsons

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Dear Sir:

I am anxious to bring to your attention a pupil of mine, Howard Swanson, who was graduated in June 1937 from The Cleveland Institute of Music with the degree Bachelor of Music in Composition.

Mr. Swanson is a very talented young man, exceptionally well qualified to fill a teaching position. He is equipped to teach any branch of music theory and composition, history of music or appreciation. He has also had considerable experience as an accompanist, having studied piano several years. Besides being able to teach beginning piano, he should be able to take charge of any choral groups.

I take pleasure in recommending Mr. Swanson to you as I feel sure that he would prove a most welcome addition to your faculty, should you have a vacancy. If you know of any opening for him, I shall be happy to hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Herbert Elwell

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

HE:RF

Bethune

Dear Mrs. Bethune —

Many years ago I read in one of our church papers (Methodist) a story of a little colored girl so desirous for an education that she walked five miles a day, carrying a pail of buttermilk for her lunch to [illegible] to a school provided by our church — the article went on to say she was now Mrs. Mary Bethune & doing much good.

That story has never got away from me — I have thought of it time & time again, and wondered [illegible] and

[illegible]

or know where to address a letter, until recently when I saw that Mrs. Bethune was with Daytona-Cookman school and I am writing to find out if you are that little girl-grown up-

I am in a position now that I can help you a little and when I hear from you I will send you a check, not for any great amount, but it will help a little-

I am greatly interested in Home Mission work + the story of your early life + that of some student at Sam Huston College Austin Texas who lived on corn bread and

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molasses in order to attend school, have had a lot to do with my interest in the work-

I was getting to a place where I could take on some extra work (for I already have several special pieces of work) when the Bank here failed and I was hard hit- but want to help you what I can- and like "Thanksgiving Ann" wish it was five times as much-

Please excuse pencil but my pen is on a strike"

Cordially Yours
Miss [illegible] Campbell
Winterset,
Jan. 31-1938 Iowa.

611 West Jackson Street
Pensacola, Florida
February 3, 1938

General

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Dr. Bethune:

This year I am Jeanes Teacher of Santa Rosa County, and am trying to encourage the teachers to attend school this Summer. So many are anxious to attend school, but are pressed for funds. Will you please advise me if there any scholarships available at Bethune-Cookman? The teachers are quiet willing to work their way up.

I have followed your activities in the papers and each time I note your progress I am more thrilled. My prayers and good wishes are always with you. May God spare you to see the fruits of your labor. Each day I strive harder to be more like you. With every good wish for your continued success, I am

Respectfully yours,

Sadye E. Pryor

Sadye E. Pryor

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A Fortnightly Newspaper Review

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MAUDE MEAGHER

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~~[illegible]~~
BOSTON, MASS., U. S. A.
115 Newbury Street

February 4, 1935.

President [illegible]
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Dear [illegible]

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MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
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February 5, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
316 Tea Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

In several of my previous reports I set forth this most important fact, that for one to achieve any type of success in any educational institution, it would be necessary to become orientated in a community that is making contacts and becoming a part of the community life.

I selected New York City as the central focal point for this section of the country. As you know, I came here in the summer when certain situations prevented successful operations, such as summer vacations, etc. Therefore, the real ground work did not get under way until October, except the devotion of time as per your request to the Sorority's summer dance, and certain contacts which were possible under the circumstances.

Unfortunately, expenses as they related to any item were completely cut off, later salary checks, out of which I carried my expenses, were either cut or not sent at all. Here you have a breach of contract in two respects; namely, salary and expenses.

Notwithstanding this situation, results have been expected when not even items for typing, carfare, and transportation have been forthcoming, not to speak of necessary funds to meet my daily expenses.

It is very important to understand that the School will be held fully responsible for the contractual agreement entered into April 1, 1936.

I am doing everything in my power, with little or no money, to raise funds and set up a project that should continue with effective results even after the expiration of my contract.

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I regret that I must pour out my feelings to you, realizing that your attention is taken up with matters of great importance, but I feel that you should be appraised of these facts because of your reputation for fair dealings and Christian principles. As you know, the School at the present time as per contract owes me $592.42. It seems to me that the small items of expense could at least be given consideration.

I feel with my present plans that before the expiration of my contract that results will be obtained to have justified its existence. My report is as follows:

Completing of organization of the Mary McLeod Bethune Choir of young people who have caught the vision to appear before white and colored groups. This Choir is being trained by one of the finest choral directors in New York and will be a credit to you and the School. They will be no financial responsibility to the School, receiving only a percentage of the proceeds of the music and a place for rehearsals has been donated. To my mind and to those with whom I have talked, it is felt that this is an interesting and unique venture.

Their interest has cut across educationaly, geographical and religious lives to do honor to a great woman in song and to help a great Negro educational institution. They feel it is an opportunity for their own self-development of the cultural side of Negro youths.

I think that you should know that Mrs. Willard Parker is cooperating with us and has asked Mrs. Sue Flannigan, director of the Protestant Foundation located in the Russell Sage Foundation Building, to help with the publicity and arrange for the radio concerts.

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I went to see Mrs. Edgerton Parson, 555 Park Avenue, and told her of my plans. She was extremely interested and said that early in February she would have the Choir at her home to sing and invite some of her friends in. She suggested a small folder as a form of advertisement, but I told her we had no money. She said we would see about that. Maybe later she'll pay for such material.

In February I am planning to present the group in Dr. Lathrop's (white) Church in Brooklyn. He said he would appoint a committee of women to promote the concert and turn over the entire proceeds to the School. The same procedure is to be followed with other groups. Of course, I am to make the appeal and secure individual contacts where possible for conferendes at other times.

I learned from Mrs. Flannigan that Mrs. Willard Parker knew a very wealthy woman by the name of Mrs. Charles MacLean, of 1081 Fifth Avenue, who is extremely philanthropic and considerate of all needy causes. I immediately called Mrs. Parker and asked for a letter of introduction. I found I could not see Mrs. MacLean because she was sick. I think that she will be sufficiently recovered upon your next visit to New York for you to see her, because you could probably get greater results. I am enclosing her letter and suggesting that you write to her immediately, expressing your regret concerning her illness and stating that you will come to see her upon your next visit to New York, of course, stating in your letter how desirous Mrs. Parker is of your meeting her. Kindly put her address in your note book.

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune February 5, 1938.

If you will let me know when you will be in New York I will arrange for the group to sing for you. The Choir wanted to be named after you and it would be nice for you to hear their fine voices.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter from Dr. Holmes.

Most sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen

Gerald E. Allen,
351 West 114 Street
New York City

Enclosures

1013. Frazier St.
Jacksonville, Fla.
Febr. 6, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod-Bethune
Pres. Bethune-Cookman College
National Youth Administration
Washington, D.C.

Dear Madam:-

Our Florida State Association of Recreation Workers, meets in St. Augustine Florida March-15, 16, 17, 1939. and at that time if you are in the State, will you please give us an address, on the opening night, March. 15th.?

We are now entering the fourth year of our organization. At our last session in 1938, there were seventy-five delegates present from over Florida. These persons ~~we~~ are engaged in Recreation Work for the City, and under the Works Progress Administration.

It would indeed be an honor and an inspiration to us to have you present to bring the message that so inspires all of us in what we are attempting to do.

Our programs are now being made out, and I would appreciate an immediate reply, if you can meet with us at that time.

Yours truly
Mrs. Daisy Dimitry,
Pres. Fla. Association
Recreation Worker,
Drama Specialist, WPA.

[illegible]

New York, February 10, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am sending you a check for $500. I would be glad to make it $1,000., if I felt that I could do so but there are many things pulling at one's heart strings at this season, and much as I would wish, I cannot do for all. I hope that this will help to tide over until other funds come in.

With every good wish, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Ada S. Moore

(Mrs. William H. Moore)

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Ans'd

General Donation

Rose Hill
[illegible] Main Street
[illegible] Massachusetts

February 10, 1938.

My Dear Mrs. Bethune, —

I was very sorry not to see you when you were in Boston, as it is always a pleasure to talk with you.

I have never been to Daytona since Mr. Pardon died — but I do think

I may go to Palm Beach, the last of the month, for a little change.

There are so many calls for money, that the enclosed is all I feel I can do, at present.

Am feeling pretty well, for an elderly person, and if I could only

sleep better, at night,
think I would be
all right.

Yours Sincerely,
Mrs. E. P. Sanderson.

Ans'd /

Miami Fla.
Feb. 14th - 1938 -
1035 - N.W. 2nd - Ave -

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune;
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach Florida.

Dear Madam:
Enclosed You Will find a Postal Money Order for twelve ($12.00) dollars; a Small effort from Our Lincoln's Day Rally. We hope to do More for the College in the future than We have done in the past. Please accept this little token and Our best Wishes for Your Continued Success.

Sincerely; Ebenezer M. E. Church - Miami Fla.
A. K. Johnson (Pres. of the Board of Trustees)
Rev. W. O. Bailey (Pastor)

Please send receipt to Pastor -
310 - N. W. 11th - Street
Miami Florida

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MRS. FRANCIS F. PRENTISS
1122 HANNA BUILDING
CLEVELAND, OHIO

February 16, 1938.

Bethune-Cookman College,
President Mary McLeod Bethune,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Madam:

Your letter of February 9th was received after Mrs. Prentiss left the city, to be gone for several months.

Before leaving, Mrs. Prentiss said that her commitments for some time to come were so great that it would be impossible to add to them, and that she would have to say no to appeals received during her absence.

I regret to disappoint you, and hope you will be successful in finding others in a position to help you.

Yours very truly,
A. M. Holdz
Secretary.

Office of the President.

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach Florida

Feb. 16, 1938

My dear Miss O'Neal.

Thank you very much for your letter of Jan 4th, and your money order for $20.60. It is our understanding that you will enter Bethune-Cookman College as a full-time Work Student during the Session 1938-39, beginning in Sept. 1938. As a full-time Work Student you will not be required to pay any fees These fees are required upon registration only. I am therefore returning this money order to you. You may hold the amount for the time when you will register for your work.

With best wishes,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

MMB/LRB.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

February 25, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
316 Tea Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Although I have accepted the decision of the Board and a letter from Dr. Simpson stating that my request for money to meet my serious financial situation would be given immediate consideration, I feel that you should have this report since it was written Before the above communications were received.

While the work has been most trying, nevertheless, I should like to feel that there is something I can do even after I secure employment in New York where I expect to live, to justify that confidence you held in the early stages of the work. Whatever services I can render will be given without any expense to the School. I need not state that my interest will continue, not only because of my high respect for your great leadership, but because of the cause which you serve.

I have discussed the fine group of singers who have been inrehearsal for the past month with engagements booked and under the leadership of a talented leader. Since engagements will come in the evenings and on Sundays, I shall be pleased to continue this work since they desire to render their services to a much needed cause.

It is sincerely hoped that you are enjoying the best of health.

Very sincerely yours,

Gerald E. Allen

Gerald E. Allen,
351 West 114 Street
New York City

MEMO

Memo folder

WHITE HALL
3-2-38

To: DR. MARY McLEOD BETHUNE
From: J. RICHARDSON JONES

Permit me, please, to inform you that the writer is present and at any hour you instruct ready to proceed with the moving picture 'shots' to be made today.

If possible, I should appreciate knowing now what hour to be prepared so as to expedite my movements.

J Richardson Jones

J. Richardson Jones

General

If my sec. has arranges
7 [illegible] 11 x+

1618 Columbia Road N. W.
Washington, D. C.
March 4, 1938

My dear Dr. Bethune,

May I remind you that at the party you gave for the Mary McLeod Bethune of Washington, February 16, 1938, I asked you to talk to a group of mothers here who had gathered themselves into a Council under the Girls' Reserve Department of the Y. W. C. A. for the purpose of studying the problems of our youth from the standpoint of Motherhood and attempting to find some of the solutions.

I have obtained from your secretary at 1340 G St., N. W., today the following information; namely, that so far as she knows there is no engagement listed for you on Wednesday, March 23, 1938 at 8 P. M., except you have made some arrangement of which she has no knowledge. Will you please consider my plea and talk to us on this date and I shall be no end grateful.

Please let us have your consent as soon as practicable.

Respectfully yours,
(Miss) Greekie F. Duffin, Chr.
Sec. of the Bethune Club of Washington

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General
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March 15, 1938.

Mrs. Mary Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach,
Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

You will find enclosed a small contribution to help carry on the splendid work you are doing at the college. I am very sorry it is not larger. You do have my very good wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Hattie M. Strong

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MIAMI, FLORIDA

MADELYN ROBERTS
PRINCIPAL

MARCH 15,1938

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Madam Bethune:

Enclosed you will find a money order for eight dollars($8.00) to assist in carrying on your work at Bethune Cookman College. Sorry we could not send ten dollars($10.00),as we did last year.

Wishing for you the best of success.

Yours very truly,

Madelyn Roberts
Madelyn Roberts,Principal

Rally & Office Efforts

Receipt delivered
by Mr. Simpson.

March 23 - 1935

(General
(School
(Donation

Dear Mrs Bethune

I have been spending the winter here and will soon be going north again. Have been over to several of the Sunday afternoon programs but didnt get to speak with you as the friends I came with were ready to go as soon as the program was finished.

Find I have some money I can spare so will send it to you to use for some young person you are trying to help to get an education.

Yours in the Masters work

Mrs D.C. Leake

129½ N. Wild Olive Ave.

P.S. I enjoyed the program the students put on at the Auditorium.

Mr. Mitchell

Donor

26 S. Grandview Ave.
Daytona Beach. Fla.
March 25th. 1938.

My dear Dr. Bethune.

Several years ago when you College was making a drive for funds, I pledged thirty dollars, and paid ten at that time, promising the remainder at a future time. You will understand and overlook my delay and I may say remissness in letting my pledge go out of my mind entirely because of activities, and illness, and later the death of my husband. I am now sending you twenty dollars to complete my pledge — with my very best wishes and appreciation of your fine achievement at Bethune-Cookman College. For several years I have been a contributor to your "Scotia Chapter" in Newark and have attended their meetings until the death of my friend Mrs. Allison.

I will ask you to discon-
tinue sending me your Colleg
paper as I have no regular
home now. I lived formerly i
Montclair. New Jersey whe
you have many loyal frien
We have been winter visito
here for fifteen years, but be
cause of impaired health, th
will be my last. I say
farewell with sincere regret
With best wishes, and hop
to see you on Sunday aftern
I am Cordially and sincerely
Clara L. Mill
(Mrs. Wm. T.

Daron

322 Fourth St. W. Palm Beach, Fla
March 25, 1938

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

President Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I was glad to know that the two magazines, The National Humane Review and Progress would be welcome additions to your library. I have just written the order for the Review and your library should be receiving it shortly. Kindly let me know should it fail to come after a reasonable length of time. Each year I give a small amount to the support of the American Humane Association and for every dollar subscribed I am entitled to a subscriptionto their periodical for any person or school designated. So if at the end of the year you feel that the Humane Review is a real contribution to your Library, I shall be glad to continue the subscription for you, if your librarian will write me to that effect. Of course in the event that your library funds are sufficient to enable you to renew on your own account, that will permit me to subscribe for some other school. I shall be very glad, however, if you wish me to do so at the end of the year, to send a renewal subscription for you. My address will be 3550 Bevis Ave., Cincinnati, O.

I also sent in the order for Progress and this should reach you soon. I hope the March issue was not exhausted so that a biographical sketch entitled Prisoner of Fear which wasbegun in this issue may be read in its entirety by your students. It is valuable to young people, I think. I am familiar with it because it was published two years ago in Progress and is being published again in response to many requests. Progress will be on your list of magazines as long as you desire to have it. It is the policy of the Unity School to give a free subscription to any one of their six publications to any school or public library-in fact, I believe, to the library of any institution such as homes for the aged, homes for children and so on. May I say, too, that in case you would like to have another of the Unity publications I should be glad to send in a paid subscription for you. You are probably familiar with their periodicals. In addition to Progress they publish Weekly Unity (I find this very valuable), Unity Daily Word, Unity, Good Business, and Wee Wisdom (a periodical for children from five to twelve.) They will gladly send you sample copies if you care to address the Unity School of Christianity at 917 Tracy Ave., Kansas City, Mo. May I just add, for I am not sure that I wrote you this in my first letter, that I am not a member of the Unity School or of any branch. It just happens that I have been greatly benefited by reading the Unity literature and I like to help with its distribution.

With very best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,
Lulu Houser
Lulu Houser

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March 26th, 1938.

Bethune-Cookman College for Negroes,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed please find Mr. Howard's cheque for $125.00 as contribution to the institute.

Very sincerely,

Mary Rennie, Secy.

For Sidney Howard.

Donor

2449-7-ave
N.Y.C.

Mar-28-1938

My dear Mrs. Bethune

I am vary sorry that I was so awful long in sending my pledge of $5-00 but I am showing you I ment good trusting I may be able to do some thing a gain for the colledge you will fine enclose $5.00 money-order-

Yours in Christ

Emergency Campaign

Bertha F. McKinny

Sent card to Mr. Bender, stating that we will [illegible] books he may bring to us.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

4/12/38

1726 Brookland St.
Jacksonville Fla.
4/ 9/ 1938

Dear Mrs Bethune: I am making immediate arrangements [illegible] disposal of my books within a week or ten days. May drive to Daytona Beach and bring some of the books, possibly [illegible]

I [illegible] 8 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Review of Missions. American [illegible] of Missionary. Jour- [illegible], and [illegible]

nals of theology, history and
biographical magazines. These
are [illegible]
[illegible]

30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York

Room 5600

April 12, 1938

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

In Mr. Rockefeller, Jr.'s absence I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of April 6th, which has been received at this address, and I am enclosing his check to the order of the Bethune-Cookman College for $500.00 in fulfullment of the promise Mr. Rockefeller made to you in his letter of November 22, 1937.

Very truly,

Robert W Gumbel

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

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April 21, 1938

Trust Alfred T. White
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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

We enclose herewith our check in the sum of $200. drawn to the order of Bethune-Cookman College to be credited as a contribution from Miss H. H. White.

We also enclose a letter from Miss H. H. White and receipts in duplicate which kindly execute and return to this office.

Very truly yours

GILBERT H. THIRKIELD
Vice President

mb/eem

encl.

Bennars

97 N. E. 60 St
Miami May 6-38

My dear Mrs Bethune -

Your gracious invitation to attend the oratorical contest and later the closing exercises of the college - proves you never forget.

I am far from well and will not attempt the trip - and Mrs Van Ness refuses to leave me.

Our interest in Bethune-Cookman waxes.

Yrs. always.
J. G. Van Ness

May 12/38 my 87th
Birthday

Dear Mrs Bethune:

May I ask you to read Dr Bond's letters to me, in which it plainly states that connection of $20.00 with the painting of the house of a poor neighbor.

How did it happen?

Two years ago, I noticed some shabby houses out of harmony with your beautiful houses and grounds —— So that visitors would see the influence of your great institution in the neighborhood I thought of this plan.

You may imagine my surprise at the receipt you sent me ~~spoke of~~ mentioning a different purpose. ——

Of course in all fairness if the house has not been painted (and you will admit I have been very patient) — please return the $20 at once to me.

Amount was based on estimate of your expert — at $19.90, for paint. ——

I am in a predicament, as I must help more than a dozen needy cases I have known for up to 50 years 1/. a minister, 2/ a doctor, 3/ a needy life friend. For five months I have no income from business.

Therefore I need that money.

If you will let Mr. Harper take a
snap shot of the horse, I will pay him
one dollar, thus saving you the trouble.
When money comes in again,
I will not forget your noble work.

Sincerely
Louis Stoiber

Acknowledged -
5/13/38

Donors

725 Bland St
Bluefield
W. Va.

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.

Dear Mrs Bethune,

Inclosed you will find my ck ($5.00) five dollars for the Bernice Hughes Martin prize. I am so happy to know that it has stimulated interest in extemporaneous speaking.

I was sorry I did not go to Daytona with papa last March, but I hope my chances are not lost.

Love to your family. I wish you all the happiness, success need to rest your nerves. I'll look for this treat to both of us with great expectations

B.H.M.

and rest it takes. Remember still that life is like a game of base ball, very fast, but you must slow down to play it. I am reminded of my visit to Bethune-Cookman and how you were constantly on the go. Please look after yourself.

Much Love,

Bernice Martin

P.S. Why not come to the Nations Air Condition city. "Bluefield" Of course you know we had a new President. But I chanced a nice quiet room with all the electric massages & masseurs & rubbers you

THE RIVERSIDE CHURCH
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THE BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE
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May 16, 1938

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My dear Mrs. Bethune:

A recent letter from you refers to a request for a contribution to Bethune-Cookman College which was presented to the Benevolence Committee of the Riverside Church through Mr. Gerald E. Allen.

For your information, I enclose a copy of a letter which was sent to Mr. Allen at his New York address on November 22, 1937. We appreciated your interest in sending us the additional information we needed in presenting the request to the Benevolence Committee, and we thought in writing Mr. Allen we would also be notifying you of the Committee's decision.

Let me assure you again that the Committee regretted its inability to make an appropriation to Bethune-Cookman College.

Very truly yours,

Frances Atkinson
Frances Atkinson
Secretary of the Benevolence Committee

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

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No. Central PROVINCE
5848 Michigan Ave.
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May 27/1938.

Dear Mrs Bethune -:

This money was voted out of the treasury of the Chicago Pan-Hellenic Council, an organization of fraternities and sororities just one year ago; but due to various procrastinations with the hopes of getting more, it is just now finding its way to you.

The enclosed money order for $17.50 is for your emergency fund and I trust it may still be of use to you.

Yours truly,

Julius L. Morgan

P.S. - This is intended for Madam Joyner's quota.

Mr Simpson

Immediate!

Donor

1447 E Eighth St
Jacksonville Fla.
June 8 1938.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:- I have written you several times concerning giving my library to Bethune-Cookman College. You have written definitely that you would accept the books. I have received no definite reply as to who shall have the responsibility of transporting the books to Daytona. At the Session of the St. Johns River Conf. I wrote you as to a plan to have a portion of the books brought to the College. I have received no response

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Bennett College
Greensboro, N. C.

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

General

June
Ninth
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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

We are very interested in your letter to President Jones regarding the two young ladies who desire to enter Bennett College next year. I am getting in touch with Mr. Bond right away and requesting their records. As soon as we are able to evaluate their credentials, we will be in a position to say just what may be done in the way of assistance.

May I express to you our appreciation for your interest in the College.

With best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,
Willa B. Player
Willa B. Player
Registrar

WBP:W

P.O. Box 112
Lima, Oklahoma
June 11, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
1812 Nieul Street N.W.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Some time ago, you asked the members of your faculty to write you personal letters stating their opinion of the work of the college, the service they were giving under existing conditions and the service they might render under different circumstances.

After I had been at Bethune-Cookman for a few months the first year, I felt that I had found work from which I could derive keen pleasure and a great deal of personal satisfaction in performing some service in the college program. A consideration of the monetary reward was not paramount because I had no other responsibility than that of supporting myself. Now, however, since I am not able to make the contribution I should make under the existing conditions, I am doing as you asked that we do in our last faculty meeting.

For three consecutive years I have been invited to return to Talladega. I have accepted reappointment there for the coming school year. I am certain that this action will meet with the hearty approval of Mr. Simpson, as he advised me, in addition to my work, to prepare to teach the work Mrs. Dyett taught and advised Mrs. Dyett, inaddition to her work,to prepare to teach the work I taught----which means that we were both asked to prepare for the same job.

It is my sincere hope that Bethune-Cookman will have a larger enrollment next year and witness its greatest development in all its activities. It is also my hope, very selfish I know when I think of the larger number of Negroes you are serving now, that you will find it possible to assume again the full responsibility of the guidance and direction of the college. Then, and only then, do I think it will realize the growth you desire.

I am grateful for the personal benefit I have received from working at Bethune-Cookman and wish for you continued strength and happiness in your work.

Very sincerely yours,

Helen G. Cousins

Louis Stoiber
723 De Graw Avenue
Newark, N. J.

June 13/38

Dear Mr. Bethune:

May I ask you in all kindness to let me know, whether the promised painting has been done? Our attorney of the Legal Aid Society always politely asks how long an extension the other party desires, one week or two weeks and always gets an answer.

I could have notified the Bank to stop payment of check, but I desired to be very considerate.

Were not three months a long time to wait? Pl. answer

Respectfully

Louis Stoiber

Donors

1709 First Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.
June 14, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
President, Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs, Bethune:

In the midst of Commencement activities I pause to think of the great work you are doing for our young folk down at Daytona Beach and send herewith my "Widow's Mite" towards the maintenance fund at Bethune-Cookman. I regret that the many calls on my income for similar constructive and worthwhile projects preclude a larger sum being available to you.

May I too, congratulate you for the splendid success you are making in administering the affairs of the N. Y. A. and as Dr. Holmes said in introducing you at Morgan's Commemcement - "Congratulate you upon beh being our first lady of the land and one of the few who can see the President without the formality of an appointment."

May God continue to bless you with health, courage, and faith sufficient to carry on in the years to come.

Very sincerely,

Ella W. Parker

Donors

73 Park Place
St. Aug., Fla.
June 21, 1938

Mrs. M. M. Bethune
Pres. Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Fla.

Dining Dep

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

In our convention held at West Palm Beach last week of the Colored Women's Federation of the State, it was voted and carried that we donate to Bethune Cookman College the sum of Ten Dollars ($10.00) for the purpose helping to buy covers for the dining hall tables

I am, therefore, here-in enclosing Money Order for that Amount.

We hereby wish to acknowledge receipt of your telegram, and, and glad to say that the session was a harmonious and beneficial one.

Hoping you are well,

I am yours truly,
N. S. Freeland, Secy.

Donor

MRS. A. J. GAEHR
515 WEST 7TH STREET
ERIE, PENNA.

June 21, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune,

Your letter regarding a contribution to your college came this morning. Since I made my contribution to the work thru Mr. Allen last year I have left Cleveland and moved back to my mother's home here in Erie, Pennsylvania. I am still interested in the education of the Negro young people, but I do not feel able to give so much as I did last year. I am enclosing my check for ten dollars with my best wishes for the success of your work. I hope you may be able to balance the budget at the end of the year.

Very sincerely yours,

Cora H. Gaehr.
(Mrs. A. J.)

Send 20.00
after first of yr.

723 Delgrave Av Newark, N.J.
June 25/38.

Dear Mrs Bethune:

I learnt a lesson from you, when I asked you, how did you do it? "By keeping everlastingly at it." you answered.

Yours was a job of increasing a capital of $2.50 into $600 etc.

The matter which has annoyed us for three months, can be disposed of in three minutes by a check to me for $20 — a small sum.

It seems large when a protégé of mine in our [illegible] wants $100 and I haven't it to give.

And there are many others in dire distress that call on me.

Perhaps it was foolish to stress painting a house, as an example.

However I meant it well!

Forget it off our minds, please send check, and don't forget we are agreed on the premises — the underlying facts, from the start three months ago — Dr. Bond and myself.

Sincerely,
Louis Stöcker

San Diego, Calif
6-29-38
3244-Clay St.

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Dayton Beach Florida.

Dear Mrs McLeod,

Please except this Check for $54.52.

We truly hope that it will be some benefit in aiding you in your splendid and needy cause towards the benefit of Bethune Cookman College.

Sincerely
Bethune Cookman Fund Committee
Anna White
Secretary.

Enter as of
June 30, 1938

Donor

CHARLES WILLIAM TAUSSIG
120 WALL STREET
NEW YORK, N.Y.

July 1st, 1938.

General Donation

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
President, Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Although conditions are such that one does not undertake new philanthropic obligations, I am sending you a very small check, $25.00, as an indication of my interest in your work. Perhaps some time I will be able to contribute more liberally.

I am always grateful to you for the interest that you have shown in the National Youth Administration and for the fine cooperation you have given us.

Cordially yours,

C W Taussig

CWT:WBJ
Encls.

Write
Mrs Betty Hill
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details

GEO. A. BEAVERS, JR.
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July 1, 1938

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Mrs.Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

We are enclosing check for $330.85 and statement for $385.85, total amount received in the campaign for funds to assist in the promotion of the work of Bethune-Cookman College.

We deeply regret the many difficulties which caused the delay in forwarding this report. The amount is far below what we had anticipated but we hope it will serve a useful purpose in the execution of your very worthy program.

With best wishes for continued success, we are

Very truly yours,

Mrs. Betty Hill, Chairman

Atty. Willis O. Tyler, Secretary

Geo. A. Beavers, Jr.
Treasurer.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE ARCHIVES

Detroit, Mich.
July, 3, 1938.

Mrs. Mary B.Bethune,

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

The eleventh annual convention of the National Catholic Interracial Federation will convene here Sept. 3-4 and 5 inclusively. Sunday,Sept. 4th. there will be a public mass meetiing at one the large halls in the evening.

There will be a very large turnout at this meeting composing both races including so to speak the cream of both. We are planning to have a noted person from both groups to speak on this occasion. We condider you the most outstanding woman of our race in the United States today, and if it is possible for you to address this assemblage on this event, I feel certain that your appearance would be most helpful to the cause of Interracial relation and better understanding between the races.

You may select any subject bearing on any phase of the existence of our people in this country. I know that you are in great demand and that much of your energy is spent in behalf of our people. If you can be with us please inform me as soon as possible and expenses tol be incurred in bringing you here. I trust you will overlook the belated invitation, especially to one so much in public demand.

I beg to remain very sincerely,

Chas. L. Rawlings

Referred to mr. Simpson

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Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

I am enclosing Bill of Lading for a box of books sent you by freight. I am sorry the sending of these books has been so much delayed, but this has been unavoidable.

As soon as you receive the box please write me at 2425 E. St., Omaha, Nebr. advising me the amount of the freight and I will repay it to you.

Assuring you of my continued interest in your school and my prayer for its work, I am,

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs) Mary Hyde

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July 7, 1938

Mrs. Mary MacLeod Bethune, President,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytone Beach,
Florida.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:-

The Committee on Race Relations of our Association are planning for a public meeting to take place in the Y.W.C.A. on Monday, February 27, 1939. We are very anxious to have one of the splendid leaders of the Negro race as our guest speaker that evening, one who can not only give facts concerning race relations, but who can bring to the group inspiration and a real spiritual challenge. We would like very, very much to have you address the gathering that evening.

Our Committee has been organized primarily to help bring about better understanding and appreciation between the races within our own Association membership, to foster and encourage and work for equal justice for the Negro within our own confines and also in the community. We try to do these things by bring our white membership into contact with the finest of the Negro leaders in various fields that we can, by having smaller group meetings together, by maintaining a small library of books that have real value on the subject of race relations, by working for betterment of community conditions.

Our committee is small, we finance ourselves, for like most Associations finances are limited. But we will be mighty glad to pay your travelling expenses and can offer a modest honorarium. We thought perhaps at that time of year you would be in Washington and thus be able to make some engagements in this vicinity.

Camden has been a difficult situation, I suppose it is in most places. Our entire Board of Directors is not in accord on the matter of work 'with' folks of other racial groups. The work as you know is very slow.

We hope you will consider us favorably, and can arrange to come on that date. If however that day of the week is not convenient please do not hesitate to ask us to change it to one more convenient.

We have no particular subject we are asking you to speak upon, for we feel that with the varied experience you have had perhaps you would like to make your own choice, or suggest several topics to us as possible choices.

May I hear from you very shortly ? It will surely be appreciated as we are making plans far in advance in order to ensure a good meeting.

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I might add that our Committee is composed of ten members, five Negro women and five white women. And also, the meeting that evening will be interracial of course.

Hoping to hear from you in the affirmative, I remain

Sincerely,

Helen M Eastlack

(Miss) Helen M. Eastlack, Chairman
120 Hopkins Ave.,
Haddonfield, N.J.

508 W. Ross Avenue
Tampa, Florida
July 9, 1938

Mrs. M. McLeod Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Dr. R. Reche Williams, of this city, advised me to write you relative to securing a stenographic or secretarial positions on one of the N. Y. A. projects—hence this letter.

My qualifications are: I completed a Secretarial Course at Laskey Commercial College, Boston, Massachusetts, and after graduation served as temporary secretary to the president of the college. I am not saying it boastfully, but I am the only colored person who has held that position. I also studied accounting at Boston and Northwestern Universities. Later, I took a test in shorthand through mail and was awarded an Artist's Certificate by the Gregg Publishing Company of New York. In addition to my diploma from business college, I have had about two years of college training.

I have had fifteen years' experience as a stenographer and teacher of commercial subjects. And, during this time I have willingly assisted with all types of work which could not have been expected of a routine worker.

For the past three years, I have worked as a stenographer and secretary in the various relief offices in the city of Atlanta. I also served as temporary secretary to Dr. J. W. Holley. Recommendation enclosed.

For further references concerning my ability as a stenographer, I refer you to the following:

Dr. Rayford W. Logan
Atlanta University
Atlanta, Georgia

Mrs. C. H. Rhorer (white)
160 Pryor Street
Atlanta, Georgia

Mr. Jesse O. Thomas
Urban League
Atlanta, Georgia

Mrs. Oddie N. Anderson (white)
City Hall
Atlanta, Georgia

A favorable consideration of my application will be greatly appreciated, as I would be pleased to work on any of the N.Y.A. projects. As I view the program of the National Youth Administration as it affects Negro youth, I am reminded of a statement by Booker Washington several years ago. He said: "The way out is to raise the standard of living, increase general intelligence, increase the earning power of the Negro and dignify labor." It seems to me, that is exactly what is being done, or at least attempted by the National Youth Administration. I think it is teaching youth to find himself; and I hope in the final analysis the really educated person will be developed -- I have reference to the type of person described by Susan M. Burson, United States Office of Education. Miss Burson says: "An educated person is one who knows, who grows, and goes and glows.

Wishing you the best that the world has to offer,

Respectfully yours
(Miss) Jeanette Green.

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P.S. D. C. Green, Jr., of Bradenton, and I are first cousins.

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Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

This acknowledges your letter of the 9th to Mr. Moses.

Mr. Moses is willing to send another lot of paper this year which we will send to you early in September.

Trusting this will meet your requirements,

Yours very truly,

Helen E Merriam

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OFFICE OF PRESIDENT

July 14, 1938

Bethune-Cookman Institute
Attention Mrs. Bertha L. Mitchell
Daytona Beach, Florida.

150 - (Berkeley, Calif. Committee By Mrs Marsh. -

Dear Mrs. Mitchell

I am enclosing several checks for the benifit of the Budget of your school. A group of citizens here in May obtained a pledge of $115.00. Of this amount $5 from Mrs. Mc Adoo was given direct to Mrs. Bethune. Mrs. Pittmanwas to send in amounts given to her. Contributions were to be sent direct to you from the N.Y.A. office of San Francisco. Will you kindly tell me how much has been received by you to date, so that I may check up on the balance due?

} - ~~5~~ 10.00

We have also started a dime silver chain for the benefit of the school. Asking each of us five friends to send a dime each and in turn they are to ask five of their friends to do likewise. Are these dimes coming in?

We were very happy indeed to have Mrs. Bethune with us in May. We look forward to being able to better aid her splendid work in the future.

Sincerely yours,

Vivian Osborne-Marsh
Vivian Osborne-Marsh

Montague, Essex Co. Virginia.
July 15th, 1938.

Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethume-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Madam:

Some years ago Mr. Parry purchased this place with thought in view that after he would retire we would live here permanently. The depression forced him to retire here long before he expected to. We have been living here for nearly six years ~~and~~ and due to advancing age we want to be nearer our few relatives, in Washington, so we have listed this place for sale. A large ancestral brick house and surrounding land, well planted in shrubbery and home orchard,

The thought has occurred to me that perhaps you would be interested in establishing a school of learning and individual guidance as there is need for such here for the colored race. There is a school of higher education for young men and boys-but not any to my knowledge for young girls. There is a large community here of the colored and this section would be most excellent community for a school for girls of your race.

Property is advancing here as it is the section near Williamsburg and Wakefield.

I hope you will be interested in my offer and won't you let me hear from you whether you are interested or not-perhaps you may know of some one who would like to purchase this place. It is near the highway.

Very truly yours,

Fanny E. M. Parry

Mrs. Albert S. Parry.

819 North Sapodilla Avenue
West Palm Beach, Florida
July 23, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

It gives me great happiness to write you at this time. After having spent several weeks here in the interest of Bethune-Cookman College, I can think of no one possessing a keener understanding or a more sympathetic knowledge of what is required of one who goes out to serve in a field of this magnitude than you.

The people here received me graciously. My search for friends around whom I might build my campaign program brought most pleasing results. The manager of the Central Insurance Company here, Mr. M. T. Alexander, gave me office space and a desk equipped with necessary facilities, which has been of decided help to me in putting over our program. Returns have not come up to my expectation but I feel that Bethune-Cookman College will be benefitted in the tomorrows because of the fine contacts that are being made during this campaign. Summer is most certainly here, but I am stressing the necessity of sacrificial giving. It is my prayer that our remaining projects will bring gratifying results.

Our closing project in the campaign is a "Style Show" scheduled for August 3, 1938, at the Grand Theatre. From all indications this will be our crowning entertainment. Mrs. Alice G. Mickens daughter, Miss India Holmes is standing hard by me in putting over this revue, along with several other outstanding persons of the Industrial High School setup. I am having numerous requests for you to be present at our Style Show. I hope you can arrange to come down. I am writing Mr. Simpson in this mail regarding the same. Advise me if this will be possible.

Remember me to Mrs. Mitchell.

Sincerely yours,

Ethel L. Richardson

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7/27/38

Dear "Bert":

Just a short note to say that I shall be there Sat. P.M. instead of Friday as I have some important business matters to attend to Saturday A.M. Will leave on the 1:30 bus for Daytona. Please ask Mr. Taylor to be there so we can get some things straight which he spoke of. I'll only be able to stay until the last bus or train Sat. night. Must be in Jax. for Sunday. Returning to Daytona Monday Aug. 1st for "Keeps." See you later,

Johnnie Ross

General

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August, 10th. 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.,

My Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

I am very grateful to you for your very kind letter of regrets a few days ago. We are forced to cancel the convention here this year. I do hope that you will be able to comply with our wish to have be with us next year.about the same time.

I do trust that you will enjoy a good rest while on your vacation in order that you may be refreshed for the tasks the future holds for you.

I can appreciate fully that you are a very busy woman and that you are most generous with your time and energy in behalf og the Colored people of this nation.

With best wishes for your well being and also hoping that Divine Providence will spare you to continue on and on in your useful mission for our people.

I am sincerely yours,

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August 15, 1938

General

Mr. Benj. Taylor, Business Mgr.,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Taylor:

I had expected to see you before now in connection with your letter of July 12th but my trip to Florida has been delayed.

Will be there within the next 30 days and personally make a contribution.

Incidentally, I do hope you will hold up your order for this years' business until my arrival.

Kindest regards and asking to be remembered to Mrs. Bethune, I am

Sincerely yours,

A L Feldman

A. L. FELDMAN, President
PURITAN CHEMICAL COMPANY

General

P. O. Box 204
Branford Florida
September 6, 1938

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune,
Director of N. Y. A.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mrs Bethune:

I am sure that you will be surprised to know that I am now located in Suwannee County.

I feel it my duty to keep in touch with you, and to let you know that I am trying to put in use what you have been able to give me at Bethune-Cookman College.

You realized at the beginning that I was to work in some one's place in St. Augustine last year with Mr. Williams. Naturally Mrs Barnes, the teacher who received the leave of absence wanted her job back and I would have to look for employment in another County.

Mrs Williams did recommend both of us to the board I know that for a fact, but the superintendent informed me that the County only gave him a budget for a Certain Number of teachers, therefore, he could not pay an extra teacher in Excelsior. He did offer me a job in Hastings which is in the same County as St. Augustine and I was about to take it, but I received a telegram from Mrs Nancey Preshea offering me a better Job for more money naturally I accepted it,

Mrs Bethune, I wanted you to please answer this letter after all I have finished from Bethune-Cookman it is true, and I am doing fine, but while I was there and even now I realize what you have meant to me, other girls can look to their parents or sisters and brothers for encouragement, but I have no one, you must remember that I am out in this large world alone now.

and I am almost ready to begin my year's work again I will take God with me, but I need one of your encouraging letters to start me right.

Mrs Preshea did this for me because she thinks that you are interested in me all people will do any thing to please you.

It just makes me so grateful to know that you had a little something to do with me, because, I get a lot of help that I would not have received if it were not for you.

Please write Mrs Preshea for my sakes in care of Box 145 Live Oak Fla. we are planning to have a Bethune-Coakman Circle there. Several of our students work in this County.

Let me know if I can ever be of any help to the school fiaincially.

Remember me to every one who may ask of me.

Much Love
Francis

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Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach Fla.
Dear Sirs;

I am sending Jonnie Marie the 4th one of the Children to enter the College. Jonnie is just getting up from a spell of Illness but has not completly recovered, She would get worse I think if she did'nt get there this week, so I am sending her on. Having 3 to enter boarding school this year and many other things makes necessary for me to post date a Check for $50.00 on her entrance fee til Sept 25th. It will be OK that date at my Bank. She (Jonnie) will give you $7.50 money

over

that she was able to earn and save during the summer in addition to that she has purchased all of her clothes and supplies incident entering: Which I think is remarkable for her. She also wishes to do some work to help pay her way through School.

Jonnie is particular interested in Home Economics and plan majoring in that field after finishing B.C.C. I am particular interested in knowing whether the work she do in B.C.C. will be recognized when she begin her junior and senior College work at some other School. if not I would prefer withdrawing her and sending her to Hampton or Tuskegee to do the first two years.

Eleanor is doing finishing School with her Class (Commercial) and will enter College next Jan. With every good wish

I am respectfully [illegible] Rogers

Faculty

MRS. FLORENCE L. DYETT
BOX 663
DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

Thursday morning
September 15, 1938.

My dear President Bethune:

I have been thanking God for His wonderful goodness to me and mine. As you said in faculty meeting – prayer keeps us and the attitude of prayer makes it possible for us to live in happiness.

When I think of God's goodness to you – I think also of how you have been

MRS. FLORENCE L. DYETT
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the medium by which He has expressed Himself to us. We are indeed grateful to you. There is no way to express it. It goes out upon little ether ways of sincere good wishes for your health and continued success.

I thank you for my home, for making it possible for me to work and most recently for making those checks possible this week. Oh, you don't know what it means to us. I want you to know that I am deeply grateful.

Devotedly,
Florence Dyett

Campbell Street High School
Daytona Beach, Florida
September 16, 1938

President Mary M. Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

This young lady, Winifred Dean, is a member of my family. Her father and mother died when she was quite a baby. My mother-in-law kept them in Miami as her own children until she passed. There are four of them. I kept one five years when I lived in Ocala, giving her the major portion of her high school training. I have taken this girl with me here to help her, and will appreciate your allowing her to stay in our home while attending the college.

I thank you in advance for your favorable consideration of this request.

Faithfully yours,

T. D. Dansby

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M. C. R.
614 PORTAGE AVENUE
SOUTH BEND, INDIANA

September 21, 1938

Mrs. Mary M. Bethune, Pres.
Bethune - Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

I have just answered a letter received from Louis Stephens in July. I am sorry to have been unable to before as he probably was wondering about his schooling for the coming year.

He tells me he is just thru High School and wants to go on to college. I realize the value of keeping the boy under the right influence, yet I wrote him that, to me, it would seem advisable to wait a year or so before going on with college and he would know better what he wanted to learn. However, as I wrote him, you and he know his problem better than I and with you will rest his plans.

As to my scholarship, which I expect to renew this year, I wish it might continue to be used to finance some youth thru their last year in High School. If a youngster has a High school diploma they can find something to do. But much education has become essential. I enclose money order for seventeen dollars, the first installment.

Sincerely
(Miss) Miriam C. Ruger

Sept 27-1938

Bethune-Cookman College

Dear Friends - Enclosed kindly find check for $1.00 I promised for my Birthday Sept-30-1938- when I was in Your lovely buildings last Winter- With all good wishes- for a successful year

Sincerely - Mrs. E. R. Fouch
124 E. Ohio st-
Marquette
Michigan

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DAYTON FOUNDATION
700 NICOLLET AVENUE
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA

September 30, 1938.

Miss Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of September 28th addressed to Mr. George D. Dayton has been received.

Mr. Dayton died in February of this year.

Yours truly,

E D Thompson
Secretary to Mr. Dayton

General

Jacksonville,Florida,
Sept. 20,1938

Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach,Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

As you know the Alumni of the College are here in Jacksonville arranging for the solicitation of funds.
One of the City Officers was just here to see me about the College and it goes without saying that I assured him it was A-1 and most worthy. I am confident that will be no trouble in getting a permit to solicit funds. However, the City Ordinance requires that a financial statement of an Institution be submitted for their consideration.

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Please, at once, send the financial statement as of the time of the meeting of the Annual meeting. Send it to the Hon. J. P. Ingle, Herschell St., Jacksonville, Florida.

I am sincerely,

D. H. Rutter

Road Town,
Tortola.,
2nd Oct. 38

Dear Mr. Stevens,

You'll probably wonder what prompts me to write to you so I'll say right away that I am craving your advice which I hope you'll kindly give.

My younger sister wishes to attend a school in the U. S. A. She arranged to enter as a work student the Bethune-Cookman College at Daytona Beach, Florida.

After having booked her passage and, of course, got her passport she has discovered that this school is not accredited by the Emigration Board, or at any rate, is not included in the list of accredited schools for immigrant students.

Can you possibly tell us if this facts makes it absolutely impossible for her to enter the school. As a student she is granted a two years stay in the U.S.A. which could be renewed if necessary, but will she be admitted if the school is not according to regulations?

She could enter as a visitor for six months only and then have the time extended but this might be extended only for two years.

I would be greatly obliged if you would kindly throw some light on this question as we would hate to have Harriette held up or sent back home if it can be at all avoided.

Do you happen to know any thing about this school, Mr. Stevens?

We are trying to arrage that Harriette should go along with Miss Thomas, and I would ask you kindly to reply as soon as possible as she hopes to sail on the 31st.

I am,

Sincerely yours, Lena O'Neal

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October 2, 1938

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I received your letter with the check enclosed for which I thank you. I did not have to use it so am returning it in this letter. Mrs. Bruce sent her son over here on a Saturday with $10.00 to be used for mailing purposes.

Mrs. Bethune may I suggest that the "Call" for the meeting be sent out one month prior to the meeting date in order to give persons who live in distant sections of the country an opportunity to make preparations to attend. Thento, since our meeting is November 25, and 26 this year I think it would be well to acquaint them with the change of month as early as possible. I have quite a few envelopes addressed so that I will not have to rush at the last minute.

I have started activities for the Bethune-Cookman College. At the present time I working very hard on a benefit dance at the Savoy Ballroom. So far prospects look very bright and I have quite a few returns from persons who have been asked to be patrons. Also former students of the school are giving me very good support and I am hoping that it will be a very big affair. I shall concentrate on the banks for Christmas money. I have a quartet that I should like to call the "Mary McLeod Bethune Quartet". I should like to use this group to go into the churches and raise funds for the school as well as contact white friends in New York City and vicinity. I should like to begin with them immediately after the New Year holiday. I contacted Mrs. Bearden to see if her group was planning anything big for the early fall season so that there would not be a conflict of activites and since she was not I felt safe to proceed with my plans.

I have not written to Mr. Simpson as yet but I shall do so immediately. My agreement with the school terminated the 31 day of May so I am wondering if I am to continue to work in behalf of Bethune-Cookman under the same terms as last season. I should like very much to try out my plans for the school because I am quite sure that I shall be able to do a few worthwhile things.

Mrs. Bethune I have a long list of names of persons who expressed their desire to become members of the National Council but I do not have all of their addresses may I send the names to your office and get the addresses from your files?

Very truly yours,

F.K.W. Norman

Florence K. Williamson Norman

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WASHINGTON, D.C.

October 2, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

I am offering a mite. I wish I could do more. Here is wishing that you will get every dollar you need for the expansion of your Home Economics Department.

Sincerely yours,

Nannie H. Burroughs

NHB/s

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October 3, 1938

Miss Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Bethune:

In reply to your letter dated September 28 please accept the enclosed check, #R11796, for $1.00, dated October 1, 1938, as a very small contribution, but nevertheless given with great interest in your cause.

I have had so many calls upon me for donations this year that I cannot spare more at the moment.

Kindly send a receipt at your convenience.

Thanking you and with best of good wishes,

Cordially,

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Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

I have before me your letter of the 28th ult. and am sorry to learn of the fire that you had a week or more ago, and your letter carried with it sufficient appeal to cause me to enclose herewith my check in an amount of $200.00 toward erection of another building to take its place.

Your school is doing a good work and deserves assistance and I trust that you will be able, without a great deal of trouble, to raise sufficient funds to erect a better building than the one that was destroyed.

With best wishes and kind regards to all, I am

Yours very truly,

Frank D Baker

FDB:ABH

B no 15

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MRS. HENRY WHITE CANNON 15 EAST 62ND STREET NEW YORK CITY

Oct 3 - 1938

Dear Mrs Bethune -

I am so sorry to hear about the fire and am enclosing my check of $25.00 toward the loss - I am sorry not to be able to do more at this time

Yours sincerely

M. J. Cannon

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WASHINGTON D.C.
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Mrs. Mary Mc. Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida

2410 WYOMING AVENUE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Oct 4—

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

I'm so very sorry for your loss & truly wish I could help. But you know the saying - You can't eat your cake & have it too - Well I've eaten all of mine - at least all I could get hold of.

Possibly by 1939 I might have a little more than I need. I will remember you but promise nothing.

I hope you keep well & that you will get help elsewhere.

Very sincerely

A.V. Davis

2410 WYOMING AVENUE
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Done

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Nashville, Tennessee

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WM. J. FAULKNER, MINISTER

October 4, 1938

Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Fla

My dear Mrs Bethune:

This letter comes from Mrs Faulkner and me to express our shock and profound regrets over the loss of one of the buildings on your campus. When we read your courageous words announcing your faith in the face of this disaster, coming at a time like this, we felt lifted up by your great courage and profound faith in God. You seem so certain that Divine Love, operating through myriads of friends, will provide money to build a better and finer building for your students that both of us felt spiritually uplifted when we read your statement. I referred to your great faith in my sermon on Sunday and commended your practice of private prayer to a very large congregation of students and friends from the city of Nashville.

The enclosed $1.00 is but the forerunner of larger help which I hope to send in the near future. May God bless you in your work.

Yours very sincerely,

W. J. Faulkner

W J Faulkner

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Enc

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
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October 12, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Friend:

It is shocking to hear of the burning of McLeod Hall. We have become so used to thinking you equal to every problem and emergency that might arise in your College or, for that matter, in the Nation, that we may forget the enormous burden that you must feel in your unlimited exertions. Raising money has its spiritual side, but it is also a most exacting experience, and I know you sometimes feel more of the strain than you express.

I wish I could send you a real contribution towards the restoration of your building. The fact is, however, that I am overwhelmed myself with obligations which I can hardly sustain. Merely as a good will token and as a help towards a part of your stamp bill, I am enclosing my very small check for five dollars. I wish it could be one hundred times that amount.

My very deep interest and affection always follow you.

Cordially yours,

Leslie Pinckney Hill

Leslie Pinckney Hill
President

LPH:LCC

HOPE R. STEVENS
COUNSELLOR AT LAW
209 WEST 125TH ST.
ROOM 202
NEW YORK CITY
CATHEDRAL 8-2350
2351

October 13th 1938.

My dear Mrs Bethune:-

I have been advised by Mrs Norman of this city to write to you regarding a problem that has been referred to me from the British Virgin Islands. The enclosed letter will be self explanatory. It appears that after arrangements were completed by mail for the young lady to enter Bethune Cookman College, the emigration authorities in St Thomas, V.I. U.S.A. have advised her that the College is not accredited for foreign student. I am convinced that there is some mistake somewhere but I do wish that you would advise me so that I in turn may advise Miss O'neal.

Since the relatives wish the prospective student to travel from the Virgin Island to U.S. with a U.S. citizen, Miss Thomas, who is spending a short period there, I am anxious to assist so that their present plans can be carried through. I will render all necessary assistance here on the arrival of the student in this port, but would like your suggestions on the matter.

Thanking You -

Yours very truly
Hope R. Stevens

5.00 General
10 - McLeod Hall

THE QUARTERDECK
BOLTON LANDING
LAKE GEORGE, N. Y.

Oct 18th '38

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

I am very sorry to hear of your loss by fire of one of your College Buildings.
I have been in the habit of giving you five dollars yearly since I first met you at the Virginia Inn, Winter Park Fla. where we spend the winter months.
I missed a visit from you this year. I am happy to send you a check for $15.00 and hope you will have a generous answer to your appeal.

Cordially yours

Mary H. Loines
Mrs. Stephen Loines

Mr. Hennessey has been for two years manager of the Sagamore Hotel at this place.

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October 27, 1938.

Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune,
President, Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Fla.,

Dear Dr. Bethune:

It is with a note of regret, that we acknowledge the distressing news of the burning of, McLeod Hall, as related in yours of Oct.,13, to the undersigned.

We realize, the wonderful work being done by, Bethune-Cookman College, in the field where such work is most needed. It is therefore distressing to hear of anything that might retard or in any manner handicap the orderly proceedure of this work.

The local branch of the N.A.A.C.P., offered to make a donation to Bethune-Cookman College, this fall, and it had been our intention to make a somewhat larger contribution than we now find ourselves able to give, due to two pending local legal cases in the interest of our groups civic rights.

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Gentlemen:

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The choice of any one particular model depends on the kind of mail you have. That is whether it is mostly letter mail of uniform nature or whether it is considerably mixed as to size and weight. Also whether there is any parcel post. Some of the equipment is fully automatic and some semi-automatic. The quantity of mail governs in choosing between the two kinds.

If you will let us know something about your mail we will be able to advise in detail on how best to handle it, even before our representative reaches you.

Very truly yours,
Wm R MacDonald
Wm. R. MacDonald
BRANCH MANAGER

WRM:et

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157 West 142 Street,
New York, N. Y.
Oct. 31, 1938.

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune.
Bethune-Cookman College.
Daytona Beach, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

It is with great pleasure, I write you in behalf of the Sister Chapter of New York and Vicinity. Enclosed will find a check for fifty dollars ($50.00) to help you in your recent disaster. Our only regret is that we are not able to send many times that amount. However our program at this time will not permit it.

Sometime after the holidays we will be so happy, if when you are in the city you will come in to see us.

We sincerely hope that you will raise the amount of money needed to recondition the place.

Continued wishes from your own continued good health and happiness, Most sincerely yours,

Lucia E. Jones
157 W. 142 St.
Fin. Sec'y of Scatia
Chapter of New York & Vicinity

Los Angeles Calif
Oct 22 1938

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Mrs Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My Dear Mrs Bethune

We the Calif. Fed. of Colored women's clubs in session learned of the destruction by fire of one of your buildings. You have our prayerful sympathy.

We only wish at this time we were able to send a contribution to help the restoration of same but being financially embarrassed

Los Angeles Calif
Oct 22 1937

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Yours for "Deeds not Words"
Eliza Warner, Presiding Officer
Ada Brownlee
act. sec'y

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Julian A. Black

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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November 1st, [illegible]

Miss Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Miss Bethune:

In keeping with our conversation which we had at my home ~~in Stevensville, Michigan~~ several weeks ago, I am enclosing a check for $100.00 in furtherance of the very excellent work which you are doing at your School in Florida.

It gave me great pleasure that the Administration in Washington recognized your fine character and excellent ability and placed you in a position of trust and responsibility.

My aunt has gone to California for several months to visit friends. I am sure that she will have an excellent trip.

I shall look forward to seeing you again when you are in our city.

Sincerely yours,

Julian A. Black.
Julian A. Black

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Answ.

721 Rushing Ave.,
Lakeland Fla. Nov. 1/38.

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Mrs. Bethune,
Pres. Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach Fla.

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

Having read, in the N.Y. Christian Advocate, of the loss your college has sustained thru fire, and being interested in the wonderful and helpful work you are doing, we are glad to be able to send a small contribution, we wish it were many times as much. My husband, Rev. Lewis Sauerbrei, retired, from the Troy Conference N.Y. state, has and is much interested in your work. We have had the privilege of hearing you and your boys, when in our city at Southern College.

Mr. Sauerbrei's eyesight is almost gone, so I am writing for him.

Most sincerely Yours,
Matie J. Sauerbrei.
(Mrs. Lewis Sauerbrei)

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November 3, 1938

Bethune College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen:

On October 5th we wrote to Mr. Joseph Hair requesting that he return to us the ring size gauge which we sent him for taking orders for rings for the Bethune Cookman College.

We have not had a reply from him and we would appreciate it if you could give us some information regarding this; whether Mr. Hair is still at the school, and whether this gauge is still required to take additional ring sizes.

Thanking you for any courtesy extended us, we are

Very truly yours,

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State Teachers & Agricultural College
Forsyth, Georgia
November 5, 1938

My Mrs. Bethune,

I sincerely regret the loss of McCloud Hall. While reading your letter, I lived over the years that I spent with you and my close intimacy with the work of the school and McCloud Hospital. I am constantly thinking of the struggles you had in making Bethune-Cookman a school that ranks with the best schools of the country.

You will find enclosed $5.00 Although a small amount, I am always happy to contribute to such a worthy cause. I sincerely trust that the work on McCloud Hall will begin soon.

It seems since I have been away from Florida these two years I do not get to hear from there as I desire.

I certainly regret that I had to leave Florida for you know my life work is there and I cannot divorce myself from that thought.

It is my wish to spend a few days in Florida during the Christmas holidays. If so I shall look forward to see Bethune-Cookman one or two days.

I wish to be remembered to those with whom I worked while there

May God bless you. I am,

Sincerely yours,
Lula M. Cropper

I the absence Mrs. Bethune I am addresing this letter to you

Sincerely,
Lula M. Cropper

Done

162 EAST 92ND STREET
NEW YORK CITY

Change address in my address book x

November 5, 1938

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida

Attention of Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I have your letter of November 2nd and thought best to write you immediately that I greatly regret that Mrs. Elmhirst will not be able to give you financial assistance this year.

I am sure that Bethune-Cookman is doing an excellent work, as it has always done under your guidance, but her funds are very limited and her interests in this particular environment are very compelling. Her budget for this year is practically exhausted.

I am sorry that I cannot be more encouraging but I thought best to write you very definitely in order that you might try other channels of support.

Sincerely yours,

Anna Bogue

Secretary

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BROOK COTTAGE
FOORDMORE ROAD
KERHONKSON, N.Y.

Nov. 6 1938.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

In reply to your letter of the other day,I wish to thank you for calling upon me. It is a privilege to contribute to Bethune Cookman College. I am only sorry that it was necessary for you to remind me,and sorry too,that I cannot be more helpful. My long-protracted poor health ha s drained my financial resources,which in themseleves are far less than formerly. I wish I could send you a larger check,and regret to find that this is the first I have sent during the current year;but this is sent with love and best wishes for the future.

I am staying in Kerhonkson this winter;travel is impossible for me,and I go to New York only when necessary,and then stay the shortest possible time. I think of Daytona Beach,but do not expect

BROOK COTTAGE
FOORDMORE ROAD
KERHONKSON, N.Y.

to spend more time there. The climate is not ideal for me, and my eyes will not stand the glare. However, we must take the problems as they come, and I am very grateful to have found this very beautiful, quiet place to live.

With best wishes for the work and for your own good health,

Very sincerely yours

Mary E. Davidson

MRS. GEORGE LILLY
4750 NORTH MERIDIAN
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Answd

November 9th. 1950

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

I am glad to be able, to again, send you twenty five dollars ($25.00). Enclosed please find my check for said amount.

With all good wishes, for your success, I am

Sincerely

Mrs George Lilly.

Donors

28 East 63rd Street
New York City
Tel. Regent 4-7950

November 9, 1938.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I gladly enclose you a check to help out in the emergency which you are facing. I wish it could be larger.

I hope you yourself are well and not too hard-pressed. I know you are always anxious about funds but you have been mercifully taken care of all these years and I cannot help feeling that you will continue to be.

I have only just moved to the city as I have been detained longer than usual in Mount Kisco for various reasons.

Very sincerely,

Anne Pierpont Luquer

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

D. M. Wheeler
Member [illegible] Society Civil Engineers
[illegible] Harding Street
Pittsfield, Massachusetts

Nov 10, 1938.

Mrs Mary McL. Bethune
President &c

Dear Mrs Bethune

In response your recent letter I am enclosing my check for $15.00 which in addition to $10.00 previously sent makes $25.— this year.

I wish I could make this many times more, but I am an old man of 92 now and not able to do very much in the way of contributions. Accept my best wishes for your good work and for yourself personally —

Sincerely yours —

D. M. Wheeler

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MRS. HENRY A. WHITMARSH
[illegible] PROSPECT STREET
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Nov 15

Dear Mrs. Bethune -

Your letter of November 8, came in this morning, with four others making a like request. This morning is no exception. I, too, am bewildered in this bewildering world. We have selected your appeal for a reply, because we know you & your work at first hand, & believe firmly in both. We have to divide our efforts up very fine, as you see, and wish the check could be larger.

What a good time we had last year!

Best wishes to you. May God keep you.

Sincerely yours
Alida E. S. Whitmarsh

THE COLLEGE OF WOOSTER
WOOSTER, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE
DIRECTOR OF DORMITORIES
MABEL COLLETTE LITTLE

November 15, 1938.

Mrs. Bethune,
Bethune Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

I am enclosing a small check contribution to the college. I wish it were larger but perhaps I can send more later.

I hope everything is going nicely with you. I have heard nothing from the college for some time but I saw your picture in the Saturday Evening Post several months ago and you looked well and in as good health as usual.

I have been The Director of Dormitories at this college for the last two and a half years and have been centralizing the business of the college. We have an enrollment of almost one thousand students.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,
Mabel Collette Little

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Mabel Collette Little,
Director of Dormitories.

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E. H. MACK
507 MARINE BANK BLDG.
ERIE, PA.

Nov. 16, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:-

Yours of Nov. 1st came duly to hand and was read with pleasure except for the fact that your teachers' salaries and industrial supplies are behind.

We feel we are not in position to send anything just at the present time, but in January will hope to send you a check for $200. If you do not receive it by the 15th or 20th, please remind us of it. We are glad to know that you are doing such efficient work.

I am reminded very forcibly of the pleasant day I spent at your school in Daytona Beach with eight or nine friends from Orlando, and how much we all enjoyed the singing and hearty hospitality of the occasion. It gives me great pleasure to participate in the work to this extent.

Very cordially yours.

E. H. Mack

EHM:C.

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W. A. & A. M. WHITE
40 WALL STREET
NEW YORK

November 16, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLeod Methune,
Bethune-Cookman College,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

At the request of Miss Harriet H. White of 2 Pierrepont Place, Brooklyn, N. Y. we enclose herewith our check for $500 as her contribution usually made about this time.

Yours truly,

W. A. & A. M. White

MISS ZONIA BABER - 5656 DORCHESTER AVENUE - CHICAGO

Nov. 18, 1936

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune,
Bethune-Cookman College
Datona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Bethune:

I deeply regret that my income will not allow me to contribute to your exceptionally fine work as the depression hurt me as many others. Besides, every organization to which I belong is suffering from reduced financial support, and there are calls for help from every socially supported organization.

Did I give according to my inclination I, too would be on relief.

With congratulations for your past amazing success and the hope of its continuance,

Sincerely yours,

Zonia Baber.

Corey

General

11bis Rue Mansart

PARIS, November 18, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLEOD BETHUNE
Bethune - Cookman Institute
DAYTONA, Fla.

Dear Mrs. Bethune,

After graduating from Wadleigh High School (N.Y.), I came to France, where I have been for the last twelve years. During that time, I have taken my degrees at the Universities of Toulouse and Paris (the Sorbonne), and have travelled all over Europe and part of Africa, studying social and economic conditions. However, I have put special emphasis on an intensive study of France, its language, customs and various patois.

Now, I feel that I have something to offer to our group, and to that end, I should like to return to America at the beginning of the coming year.

I have been asked to lecture in New York, but should like first to go on a lecture tour of our schools and am particularly anxious to put my experiences at the service of those who would like to follow in my footsteps and finish their studies abroad. So many of our group have come over here with more or less limited means and through not having been properly directed, have wasted time and money without being able to accomplish their aims.

It was for that reason, that having been frequently called on for help in such cases, I decided to operate an information bureau, to give all and any information concerning France, by correspondance, for the price of one dollar (money-orders are not accepted)

I should be very glad to hear from you in regards to lecturing in your school. Although a cable from Mr. Elmer Carter might recall me to America at short notice, your letter would be forwarded to me in any case, as my information bureau will continue to function while I am in America.

While awaiting your reply, I beg to remain,

Maud C. Rumford

Miss Maud RUMFORD
11bis Rue Mansart
PARIS, France

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Phila. Pa.
Nov. 25 '38

Bethune Cookman College

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed please find one dollar donation

Yours truly
(Mrs.) Frank L. Morton
923 W. Erie ave

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November 28, 1938

Miss Mary McLeod Bethune
Bethune College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss Bethune:

Mr. William Exum has informed us that he taught from September 1936 until June 1938 in the Bethune-Cookman College in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Has he given us a correct statement? He is asking for substitute work in the Gary Public Schools and we need this information in order to give him a teaching rate.

Very truly,

Bernice Engels
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Bernice Engels,
Director

BE/p

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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Tampa, Fla, Nov. 30/1938.

Mrs. M. M. Bethune.

Dear madam:

Enclosed find five ($5.-) Dollars from the Arcadia Charge for Education Rev. W. S. Henderson Pastor. I am urging them to raise the One Dollar per member & send it to the before Conference.

Love, Success and Joy.

L. Simmons Gilmore D.S.,
Gulf Dist.

Conference Collections

From:
Rev. W.S. Henderson
Arcadia Charge
Gulf District

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FIFTY CHURCH STREET
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NEW YORK

December 12, 1938

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach
Florida

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing my check No. 20218 drawn to your order in the amount of $10.00 which is my contribution to the Bethune-Cookman College.

Kindly send me an acknowledgment of this remittance.

Very truly yours,

ELLIS L. PHILLIPS

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ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

December 19, 1938

Mrs. Mary McLeod Bethune, President
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mrs. Bethune:

We have your letter of December 14th and literature telling about the good work of Bethune-Cookman College in the interest of Negro Youth.

We regret that this organization cannot respond to your request for our interest. The Board of Trustees have a firmly established policy which limits the organization's grants to the State of Michigan.

Sincerely yours,

Mary H. Church
(Mrs.) Mary H. Church
Director

MHC:mrp

Please acknowledge

2402 Thompson St
Philadelphia, Pa
De. 29, 1938

President M. Bethune
Bethune Cookman College
Daytona, Florida

Dear Miss Bethune:

Please accept me as an applicant for a teaching position in your college. My M.A. degree is from the University of Pennsylvania. There I spent 3 years doing graduate work in History and Anthropology. Besides completing the requirements for the M.A. degree further graduate work has been done in the above two fields. From 1934-36 I was assistant in History at W. Va. State College under Dr. L. McKenzie. From 1937-Sept. 1938 I was employed with the Dept. of Public Assistance in this city at which time I resigned to do further graduate work for the first semester.

Please allow me to give the following references:

Dr. F. Speck, University of Pennsylvania
Dr. H. Wieschoff, University of Pennsylvania
Dr. John Davis, W. Va. State College

Please let me hear from you at your earliest convenience. Any consideration you offer will be highly appreciated.

Respectfully yours,
Ulysses Young

[illegible], N.Y.
Dec. 31 - 1938

Dear Mrs. Bethune.

Best wishes to you and your wonderful work from

Yours faithfully,
Mary F. Davidson

General Correspondence (Outgoing) Jan - Feb. 1938

General

January 1, 193[illegible].

Mr. G. D. Rogers, President,
Central Life Insurance Company,
1416 North Boulevard,
Tampa, Florida.

My dear Mr. Rogers,

I have received your telegram and I regret sincerely to hear of the passing of Mrs. Rogers'father. Bethune-Cookman College joins me in extending deepest sympathy to her and to all of you at this time. Just know that God never makes a mistake. His strength will be sufficient for you.

We will make arrangements in the Business and Registrar's office to cover the delay in Eleanor's return.

Sincerely yours,

Donor

January 1, 1938.

My dear Mrs. Stocking,

Through you, may we express our appreciation to the Silver Leaf Charity Club for the opportunity of serving your party on December 29, 1937, through the medium of "The Cabin." I think the party was very beautiful and I hope the service met the approval of the Club.

We enclose official receipt for fifteen dollars, covering charge for catering for the evening.

May the New Year bring to the Silver Leaf Charity Club more abundant opportunities for the splendid work that it is doing.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Mrs. John T. Stocking,
Postoffice Box 1614,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

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Done

January 3, 1938

P. P. Kellogg and Company Div.
United States Envelope Company
Springfield, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

May we express out deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of Envelopes to Bethune-Cookman College. We are indeed grateful for this contribution and for your former contributions and confidence in the type of service we are rendering. This supply of envelopes will aid us greatly here in the offices. May God bless you and may your Company continue to grow larger.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 4, 1938

Donor

Mrs. Helen Adams
11 Stevens Street
Methuen, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Adams:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. Your generous contribution of kitchen and dining room linen, bed linen and towels, through Mrs. F. L. Dyett, means so much to us at this time. These supplies have been of great value to us in carrying forward our work. Please be assured of our deep appreciation for all that you have done and are doing for the promotion of our Institution.

May God bless you for this generous contribution and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

January 4, 1938

Miss Winifred Froethy
249 North Wildolive Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Miss Froethy:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. Your generous contribution of kitchen and dining room linen, bed linen and towels, through Mrs. F. L. Dyett, means so much to us at this time. These supplies have been of great value to us in carrying forward our work. Please be assured of our deep appreciation for all that you have done and are doing for the Promotion of our Institution.

May God bless you for this generous contribution and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 4, 1938.

Donors

Mrs. Harriett Sawyer, President
Ladies Social Union
Gage Street
Methuen, Massachusetts

Dear Mrs. Sawyer:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. Your generous contribution of kitchen and dining room linen, bed linen and towels, through Mrs. F. L. Dyett, means so much to us at this time. These supplies have been of great value to us in carrying forward our work. Please be assured of our deep appreciation for all that you have done and are doing for the promotion of our Institution.

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Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

application

January 4, 1938

Mr. R. C. Ragland
3300 Avenue L. C. P.
Birmingham, Alabama

Dear Mr. Ragland:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your service, we will Communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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file

January 5, 1938

Mr. W. H. Pipes
N. and I. School
Fort Valley, Georgia

Dear Mr. Pipes:

May we thank you for your letter of December, making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are very much interested in your qualifications, but we have completed our staff for 1938-39. We are filing your application and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serfe, we shall be glad to give you every possible consideration.

Very truly yours,

Mary Mcleod Bethune.

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January 6, 19[illegible]

Donors

Miss Bertha Gilson
29 Gage Street
Methuen, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Gilson:

May we express our deep and sincere gratitude to you for your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. Your generous contribution of material means so much to us at this time. This material will be of great value to us in making preparation for our annual Bazaar. Please be assured of our deep appreciation for all that you have done and are doing for the promotion of our Institution.

May God bless you for this generous contribution and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 7, 1938.

Donors

Mrs. Sperry Andrews,
West Lawrence Park,
Bronxville, New York.

My dear Mrs. Andrews,

We have received through your father, Mr. Ferris J. Meigs, your contribution of five dollars to Bethune-Cookman College.

May we express our deep gratitude for this evidence of your interest and your desire to help us meet maintenance needs at this time. We place great value upon the friendship of Mr. and Mrs. Meigs and we are so happy to have you cooperate with them in their plans for the College.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 7th, 1938.

Donor

Mrs. Ella J. Yerger,
303 South Hazel Street,
Hope, Arkansas.

My dear Mrs. Yerger,

We hope that you had a very pleasant return trip to Arkansas, and that you have lasting memories of your short visit in Florida. It was a pleasure for us to meet you and know you.

We are so grateful to you, Mrs. Yerger, for your contribution of one dollar to the Golden Book Fund, receipt for which we enclose. Mrs. Simpson wrote your name, and it was the very first name written on the book in 1938. I am sure she has told you of this significant fact.

With best wishes for your continued happiness and well-being during the year, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 7, 1938.

Donors

Mr. Ferris J. Meigs,
716 South Ridgewood Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Meigs,

May we just express our warmest appreciation to you for your recent contribution to the work of Bethune-Cookman College. Both you and Mrs. Meigs stand so closely and so loyally by us at all times, and we want you to be assured of our gratitude for all that you are doing.

You know, of course, the difficulties we face in the provision of maintenance funds. We are doubly grateful to you, therefore, for this contribution of fifty dollars at this time.

May this new year bring to you and yours the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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P. S. We have sent a letter of appreciation, and receipt to your daughter, Mrs. Sperry, for her give of $5.00. M. M. B.

Student

Student

January 7, 1938.

Miss Geraldine Lockhart,
Route 1, Box 5[illegible],
Junction City, Georgia.

Dear Miss Lockhart,

We regret to state that we do not offer courses in Nurse Training in Bethune-Cookman College. Our courses range from eleventh grade through Junior College and Teacher Training.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 8th, 1938.

Dr. A. R. Howard,
Box 847,
Sumter, South Carolina.

My dear friend,

First of all I want to greet you in this new year and wish for you and your dear family the choice blessings you so richly merit.

I am so sorry that I did not get to see you while you were in Washington. I had hoped to have a talk with you. There is such deep gratitude in my heart for all that is being done. I cant quite express my appreciation for the contribution of twenty-five dollars at this time. This gives to us a vote of confidence and appreciation that is most stimulating. For some reason or other I have been called upon to do the task that I am now performing and it is necessary for those who are interested in my life's work to keep the fires burning.

Please send us the names and addresses of those who contributed to this twenty-five dollars, and also the amount of your contribution. We like to place all of these names in our Golden Book, which will always be kept in the sacred archives of our Institution.

It is possible that I may go to Sumter - I dont know. I have been greatly disburbed about Mabel and I hope you are advising Hattie all you can. I may send Albert up to talk with her for I need rest - I have been traveling so much. I hardly think it will be possible for me to go by Sumter on my way to Washington, for it will be too inconvenient.

Love to Mrs. Howard and the children.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

January 8, 1938.

Mr. Thomas J. Dodd,
National Youth Administration,
1044 Chapel Street,
New Haven, Connecticut.

Attention - Mr. Edward H. Goins.

My dear Mr. Goins,

May I wish for you the blessings of the New Year.

I am very happy to inform you that Mr. Brown has notified the directors of Quoddy that there would be no discrimination as to the boys selected, so we are expecting our quota of Negro boys.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
Director, Division of Negro Affairs.

Student

January 10, 1938.

Mrs. Flora Thomas,
William Street and
Black Rock Road,

Ardmore, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Thomas,

May I thank you for your recent letter.

We will be glad to have your daughter enter Bethune-Cookman College in February. She will possibly have to do two weeks observation work before entering into the regular work of the third quarter, which will begin in March. I feel sure, however, that the opportunities that she will receive her will be of great benefit to her.

Under separate cover we are sending you a catalog and application blank in order that you may have full information concerning the school.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Under separate cover:
1 - Catalog
2 - Application blank

January 10, 1938.

Mr. E. H. Mack,
507 Marine Bank Building,
Erie, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Mack,

Bless you for your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. I wish I could make you know how greatly your gift of one hundred dollars helps us at this time.

You said some kind things concerning me and I want to thank you for them. I have given myself as fully as possible in an effort to help my people. It encourages me to know that I have been able to give some inspiration to a man of your splendid calibre.

I know that you will use your influence for our work whenever it is possible. The appeal for funds for a work such as ours must be unusual, I know, to reach most of the people who have means. Perhaps the most valuable appeal of them all is the stated fact that the students who come to this Institution and receive the rounded, practical training that we give, are able to go back to their own homes and lift the standards that are so very low.

May this new year bring to you many choice blessings. Please continue thoughtful of us.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 10, 1938

Re: Former Student

Mr. James A. Dallas,
Florida A. and M. College,

Tallahassee, Florida.

My dear Mr. Dallas,

I have investigated the situation here in regard to your transcript. I have talked with our Dean and Business Manager and they have informed me that they are working in accordance with the regulation of the school and that your record cannot be released until your bill is settled. They stated that you had been given an opportunity to pay even a part of the bill but it was impossible for you to do anything.

I regret exceedingly that there is nothing I can do to alter the situation.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 11, 1938

Donor

Rev. Carl P. Meister
Elyria, Ohio

Dear Rev. Meister:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $1.00 to the Golden Book of Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. Your contribution aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance here at the college. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

January 11, 1938

Mr. John M. Gandy, President
Virginia State College For Negroes
Petersburg, Virginia

Dear Mr. Gandy:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. Your contribution aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance here at the college. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 12, 1938

My dear, dear Mrs. Luquer,

I am spending a month in Daytona Beach, trying to adjust many things here at the college. This is my rest time but I am trying to do this. I shall return to New York soon, for I feel that we should all get our hearts together in the formulation of some plan for endowment. I cannot do this alone and we have all been talking about it. We are greatly in need of funds and this is the time for us to work toward the securing of permanent funds.

The work of the school is going forward and the spirit of the students and teachers is splendid. We have been able to get everything adjusted among the girls.

You dont quite know what your check for one hundred twenty five dollars meant to us this morning. One of our professors had just left the office, after having made an earnest appeal for the payment of one hundred twenty five dollars on his salary. He had so many needs to meet. God sent your letter just at the time when it was most needed. This gift served a double purpose - it took care of that portion of the student's expenses who will benefit from your scholarship, and also helped us in this salary payment. May God bless you, my friend.

We have changed the entry for the previous gift of seventy-five dollars, according to your desire.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

January 12, 1938.

Mrs. Ferris J. Meigs,
716 South Ridgewood Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear, dear Mrs. Meigs,

Once again you have indicated the depth of your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. I can never tell you, my dear friend, what your loyalty and friendship and the constant sharing of the responsibility here, mean to me.

Mrs. Brock has brought to us the furniture slips, indicating the purchase of much-needed furniture for our Girls' Dormitory Living Room. I have not had the opportunity to go over there today to see the furniture and its placement but Mrs. Brock tells me that it is very nice and meets such a real need in the building. She tells me that you will also furnish us paint with which to go over all of the pieces in the room, in order that they may harmonize.

May I just continue to say -"God bless my friends."

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 13, 1938

Mr. Claud M. Andrews, Supervisor,
Vocational Rehabilitation,

Departmentof Public Instructions
Tallahassee, Florida.

My dear Mr. Andrews,

Edna May Stone has registered and we are sending the 2 copies of statement of her charges for fees, tuition, books and Domestic Art supplies.

We also enclose statement for the second quarter tuition and Biology Laboratory fee for Thelma Boynton.

The enclosed receipt covers remittance recently received from your office, for books for Thelma Boynton.

Very truly yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

President.

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January 15, 1938

Mr. Abraham Thomas
6816 Cedar Avenue
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Thomas:

May we express our very deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $0.50 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering. Your contribution aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance here at the College. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 13, 1938

Mrs. L. Hunter, President,
Mrs. G. Thornton, Secretary,
Les Seize Club, Inc.
1990 Seventh Avenue, Apartment 2,
New York City.

My dear, dear Friends,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued interest in our institution, and for the help that you have given to us in the past.

The scholarship aid given to Miss Margaret Johnson has proved a very worth-while investment for your group. She completed her high school work here, and also the Teacher-Training Course. For many years following her graduation she worked in our offices, rising from filing clerk to college bookkeeper. She is married, and to my only son, Albert M. Bethune. She has been a splendid wife and fills all of my desires and needs for a daughter. Margaret and Albert are conducting a very splendid Funeral Home here in Daytona Beach. She is also serving as one of the State supervisors of Adult Education in Florida. You can see, therefore, that this investment has brought significant returns in the life and service of this young woman.

The McLeod Hospital Drive in 1926 received the interest and enthusiastic response of so many of our friends. At that time we were operating our little McLeod Hospital, which was the only Hospital for Negroes on the East Coast of Florida within a radium of three hundred miles. Since that time the City of Daytona Beach has come to the rescue by taking over the responsibility of hospitalization for Negroes and the work we started enabled the Board to establish a very creditable hospital for our people. McLeod Hospital not only ministered to the sick and afflicted - it also gave valuable training to young people who desired to take nurse training. Because of the material condition of the people we served, fees were very low and you will be interested to know that the service was maintained for twenty-five years through the aid of [illegible]00, and, al[illegible]ure of annual Drives, I believe the donation from your club was $100.00

and this was a great help to us in this work.

The enclosed leaflets will give you an idea how our work has grown during these years. For some time we have been putting forth arduous efforts to secure a permanent endowment in order that our maintenance may be assured. We are imploring our friends to stand by us now as they have never done before, for we need them.

May I congratulate you upon the wonderful success of your club work. I hope I may see you when I am again in New York.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

January 14, 1938

Mr. Preer, City Manager,
City Hall,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Preer,

We have noted through the public press that you have been appointed to the position of City Manager of Daytona Beach, Florida.

As a citizen of thirty-three years' residence in this city and as one who has labored earnestly to build good citizenship in this community, I am deeply interested in the progress of our city. I greatly appreciate all that has been done toward the building up of Daytona Beach. The very fullest cooperation I could give to this development has been given.

May we pledge to you the continued allegiance of Bethune-Cookman in any worth-while program for the welfare of the city. I am sure we may depend upon you for cooperation with the Negro constituency that they may share in the program of growth of Daytona Beach. I am very happy to note that the drainage project here in this section will be accomplished. The unsanitary condition resulting from this defect will be greatly relieved when this project is carried through.

The College extends to you sincere congratulations upon your appointment.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
Daytona Beach, Florida
January 14, 1938

WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS THERE WILL BE INAUGUARATED IN BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE A SIX WEEKS' COURSE IN SPECIAL TRAINING FOR STUDENTS WHO DESIRE TO FILL JOBS DURING THE SUMMER OF 1938.

THE ENROLLMENT FOR THIS FIRST SIX WEEKS' COURSE WILL BE LIMITED TO 12 STUDENTS. BOYS OR GIRLS DESIRING TO ENROLL SHOULD SEND IN APPLICATIONS NOW TO THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE. THE TIME OF THE CLASS WILL BE ARRANGED TO MEET THE CONVENIENCE OF THE STUDENTS.

ONLY THOSE WHO DESIRE TO WORK DURING THE SUMMER ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ADMISSION

MARY McLEOD BETHUNE.

January 17, 1938

Mr. G. Leon Wells,
First Methodist Episcopal Church,

St. Cloud, Florida.

My dear Mr. Wells,

Your previous letter had remained unanswered, not because you did not send the postage for reply, but because of the great amount of correspondence that has been before us during the past few weeks.

Under separate cover we are sending you a copy of our current catalog, which will give to you the information necessary for preparing to enter a student here. Our third quarter starts in March and it would better to have the girl enter then. However, if she desires to enter earlier she can do observation work until the quarter actually opens.

We sincerely hope that the young woman will be able to enter the College. Use your influence in our behalf with the winter resident who is interested in her. A catalog can give some information, but it is so valuable to have a friend to speak of the institution in terms of its rounded development - in head, hand and heart.

We also enclose some leaflets descriptive of the work.

With deep gratitude for your interest,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 17, 1938.

The Pastor,
Au Sable Forks M. E. Church,
Au SableForks, New York.

Dear Friend,

Through you we wish to thank the members of your congregation for your designated gift of $12.00, just received through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

This gift brings great help to our maintenance budget. We have been finding it so difficult to carry on this year.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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P. S. - Official receipt has been sent to the Board of Education. We presume they have sent you their official receipt for the amount contributed.
M. M. B.

January 18 - 1938

Rev. R. M. Thomas,
Methodist Episcopal Church,
Fernandina, Florida.

My dear Rev. Thomas,

Your recent letter regarding your gifts to the College last year and your desire for World Service Credit, has been held for my personal attention.

The $18.50 you sent just prior to the Conference of last year was entered and credited before the conference, even though the receipts may not have been in your hands by the time you went to Conference. We could not, therefore, credit the amount to "Lincoln Day" collections. The $3.50 was credited to Lincoln Day collections, and since Lincoln Day gifts receive World Service credit, your voucher should have been received direct from the Chicago office. When we wrote you in July, stating that all requests for World Service credit had been honored, we were stating the facts. We had thought that the $18.50 was the total of gifts from the members, to help support the work of the school. If your members are stimulated to give only because of the World Service credit that comes to their church, they are not helping us. Every gift that is sent to Chicago for World Service Credit, even though it is designated for Bethune-Cookman, means a deduction of a like amount from our regular appropriation. We earnestly solicit from the churches and their members gifts IN ADDITION to the Board's appropriation, and in addition to their World Service obligations.

Your Conference report this year may include the $18.50, as well as the $3.50, if you did not report the former amount last year. I do not know of any further adjustment that can be made. I sincerely regret that there is any dissatisfaction in your mind or in the minds of your people. Please have them realize the great need of their school for their fullest support. Do not appeal to them for the $1.00 per member gift just for World Service credit. The College needs this help over and above what they do to meet World Service demands.

Rev. R. M. Thomas,
Fernandina, Florida.

I hope that this explanation will be satisfactory to you, Rev. Thomas. Please continue your interest and activity in behalf of our work. We need the strongest support possible for continuing our work.

May the new year bring to you and yours the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

January 19, 1938.

Mrs. Evelyn D. Rea,
410 First Street,
Fort Myers, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Rea,

Last year, when our Quintette was in Fort Myers, you were kind enough to listen to the story of our work from Mrs. Steele. At that time you generously donated $50.00 to the maintenance of the school. You can never realize just what this donation meant to us.

Our publicity quintette used last year is not organized this year although we have a group of students who will fill some engagements in the State. They will hardly be able to go to Fort Myers, however, this year.

We sincerely hope that you continue your interest in us, and will help us again. Our maintenance needs are more acute this year than last and we are urging our friends to continue standing by us.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

January 19, 1938.

Mr. Sherman M. Fairchild,
50 Broad Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Fairchild,

In January of last year you were kind enough to give tangible evidence of your interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College, through a contribution of twenty-five dollars. We cannot tell you what this generous gift meant to our work.

We are facing the same acute problems of maintenance this year and are depending upon our friends to help us. Until we can reach the goal of an endowment adequate to provide for maintenance needs, we find ourselves forced to request of our friends their generosity in sharing the responsibility with us. The investments in Bethune-Cookman College pay large dividends, for our work is providing light into the darkened areas of this section. We shall be so grateful if you will duplicate your contribution of last year at this time.

May God bless you for your help to this and to other worthy Causes.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 19, 1938

Donors

Rev. Jesse Lyons
First M. E. Church
DeLand, Florida

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the members of your congregation for your generous contribution of $36.50 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our singers.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the program by out group and will give them an opportunity to serve you again in the near future.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 20, 1938.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Caples,
Sarasota, Florida.

My dear Friends,

Last year when Mrs. Steele and our Publicity Quintette filled engagements in your section, you were kind enough to show interest in our work and to make a generous contribution to it. We were most grateful for your help and for the encouragement given to our group.

The Publicity Quintette of this year will fill engagements in your section in March, 1938, and we are wondering if you would not like to have them sing for you, and your friends, possibly on the afternoon of March 15th or 16th. We are trying to get engagements for them in the hotels of Sarasota during the evenings of that week.

We sincerely hope that you will find it possible to have the group. Their help to the maintenance budget, through their engagements, is being anticipated with more than usual hope this year because of the acute problem of securing funds.

May I hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 20, 1938.

Mr. George D. Dayton,
The Dayton Company,
Nicollet Avenue, 7th and 8th Sts.,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Dayton,

How I bless you for your interest and confidence in our work here. You have stood by us for so many years. If we just had one hundred friends upon whom we might depend for the kind of reliable support that we receive from you each year. God bless you for all you have done for us, and particularly for this recent gift of one hundred dollars. You cannot realize just what this means to us.

We still face acute problems of maintenance, for it is difficult to secure endowment funds. We are asking our staunch friends to continue to stand by us and to use their influence with other friends that they, too, may help us carry forward this work. Tell them of the three-fold service we are performing for the Negro boys and girls of this section.

With deep gratitude for your continued friendship, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

January 21st, 1938

Mrs. Charles P. Powers,
509 Lake Street,
Orlando, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Powers,

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. The staunch support of friends like enable us to continue our program in behalf of the youths who come to us.

We are especially grateful for your membership in the Birthday Club and for your prompt payment of your Birthday pledges each year. These gifts, as you know, swell the Loan Fund inagurated by our dear Mrs. Rees, in order to provide loans for worthy needy students.

Please continue your interest in our work. We need the help of our friends, the advice and influence of our friends, more now than ever before.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 21, 1938.

Mrs. John Henry Hammond,
9 East 91st Street,
New York City.

My dear Friend,

In November, in answer to our Thanksgiving appeal, you very generously contributed twenty-five dollars to Bethune-Cookman College, to help meet maintenance needs. I just want to thank you for this and for all other evidences of your friendship and confidence, over a period of many years.

I note from the records of last year that you contributed one hundred dollars to us in December, to help meet teachers' salaries. I am just writing to state that we will be most grateful for any further gifts at this time that will keep the record of your contributions parallel with that of last year. We need our friends so badly. The problem of maintenance is so acute, because we havent a permanent endowment as yet.

I just want you to continue thoughtful of us and help us as much you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

January 24, 1938

Mr. A. L. Lewis,
Afro-American Insurance Company,
105 East Union Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mr. Lewis,

I regret exceedingly that I did not have opportunity to talk with you after the splendid meeting Saturday. I wanted so much to talk with you about the work of the College and to express our appreciation for all you have done for us.

From our records we note that you made a contribution of two hundred fifty dollars to the school last year. We would appreciate it if you would donate a similar amount this year. We are greatly in need of funds to carry on. We are behind with teachers' salaries and with so many other urgent items. I do hope that you can arrange to make this contribution at this time. I assure you that it will mean so much to us.

I am wondering if it will be possible for you to suggest some plan whereby each person in the employ of the Afro-American can make a contribution, large or small, to the annual budget of the school. Such a plan would give us some much-needed assured income.

The Mary McLeod Bethune Circle of Jacksonville is sponsering a Rally in the interest of the College on March 3, 1938. Our musical groups will give a concert there that evening. I am requesting you, as a member of our Trustee Board, to contact Mrs. Ada M. Lee, the president of the Circle, and help her to devise plans for an interesting and productive program. It would be a fine and encouraging thing to have the Afro-American Insurance Company to participate in the program in a prominent way. If they will agree to make contributions to the school, they might be made and announced at that time. With the pressure and activity from your group, other agencies will be stimulated to interest. I would like to see the program made Jacksonville-wide, so far as our people are concerned. Please contact all of the professional and business people and try to stimulate their interest.

Mr. Rogers came to see me this afternoon. We talked fully concerning the Beach cottage. I hope you can get a front lot upon which to erect the cottage.

May I thank you again for all you have done for us and for all you are doing now.

Mr. A. L. Lewis,
Jacksonville, Florida.
January 24, 1938.

I want you to know how greatly we are depending upon you strong men to help us carry on during this difficult period. I am leaning heavily upon you as one of the strongest business men of this section, to help us and advise us.

Please let us hear from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 25, 1938

Miss Oveta Jewell
192 Warren Street
Englewood, New Jersey

My dear Miss Jewell:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vancancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event that we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 25, 1938

Miss Dolores F. Moore
416 East 46th Place
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Miss Moore:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event that we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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January 25, 1938.

Mrs. Frances P. Shiras,
4530 Klingle Street,
Washington, D. C.

My dear, dear Friend,

You could not have sent your generous donation of one hundred dollars to us at a more opportune time. I just want to thank you for it and bless you for your continued friendship and confidence. Your letter came as as a direct answer to prayer. We had been praying and trying to find one hundred dollars for some special publicity that will prove very valuable and of great benefit to the school. Your gift came just in time for us to secure this publicity.

I shall hope to have an opportunity to see you in Washington some time.

May this new year bring to you the choice blessings you so richly merit.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 25, 1936.

Student

Mrs. Fannie Wilburn,
Asheville, North Carolina.

My dear Mrs. Wilburn,

Due to your explanation, the physical condition of your daughter, Margaret Wilburn, which condition, as I understand it, is that she is of a highly nervous temperament, will form the basis for special consideration of Margaret in the assignment of duties in the Girls' Building.

It is to be understood that nothing will be given to her as an assignment that will mitigate against her health or nervous temperament.

Very truly yours,

Acting President.

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Donors

January 26, 1938

Mrs. Fanny A. Evans,
Wellington Apartments,
124 Live Oak Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Evans,

Mrs. Bethune asked that I extend to you the deepest gratitude of our students and teachers for your kindness in having our Organ serviced and tuned. The tone is greatly improved as a result, and the volume also.

A great crowd came out Sunday to witness the Dedication of the Organ. It was the largest crowd at a Sunday meeting in many years. Dr. Anderson gave a most interesting history of Mr. Rockefeller's life, his appreciation for musical and the spiritual things. Mrs. Bethune wanted you to know that it all went just as she had planned and she was very happy over it when she left Monday morning.

May we all join Mrs. Bethune again in expressing deep gratitude to you for your continued kindness.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary to Mrs. Bethune.

Donors

January 27th, 1936

Mrs. E. L. King,
1235 North Atlantic Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. King,

I just want to thank you for your continued interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College. You were very gracious to receive Mrs. Richardson's calls, and to permit her to talk with you about the present status of our work. You were very generous to contribute the sum of fifty dollars to our maintenance budget at this time.

I do want your continued interest, confidence and help, Mrs. King. During the earlier years you stood so loyally by us. We need your help now even more than we did then. You are still a member of our Board and we earnestly solicit your active cooperation with the program. Please attend our Sunday afternoon Community meetings when you can.

I shall return to the College in early March and I hope that I may have an opportunity at that time, to talk with you about the work.

With gratitude for your friendship, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Drive

January 27, 1938.

Mrs. K. E. Mosser,
108 North Peninsula Drive,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Mosser,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College.

Your gift of one dollar to the Alumni Unit of the Annual Students and Teachers' Rally is very gratefully received. This gift will prove a stimulus to other friends to help in this effort.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 28, 1938

Mr. Rupert T. Cox
750 North West Street
Indianapolis, Indiana

My dear Mr. Cox:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event that we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 28, 1938.

Mr. A. F. Kuhlman, Librarian,
George Peabody College for Teachers,
Nashville, Tennessee.

My dear Mr. Kuhlman,

Your letter of January 14 to our Librarian, Mr. James, has been referred to this office.

We sincerely regret that it will not be possible for us to send you file copies of previous catalogs of Bethune-Cookman College. The supplies are exhausted except for our own file copies.

We are, however, glad to send you two copies of the current issue and will keep you on our mailing lists to receive all further publiciations of Bethune-Cookman College.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 28, 1938.

Student

Miss Alice L. Green,
1804 North 24th Street,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

My dear Miss Green,

We are interested to know that you desire to enter Bethune-Cookman College.

All NYA aid is allocated for this year and we cannot say just what will happen next year. If, however, you will send in your application early in the summer we will be glad to give you all possible consideration. We do not receive NYA aid during the summer session and if you register for work during this period it will be necessary for you to pay your full fees. These fees are not very large, however. Our Summer School Bulletins will soon be off the Press and if you desire we will send one to you.

Under separate cover, we are sending you a catalog.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

January 29, 1938.

Mr. M. L. Benedum,
Benedum-Trees Building,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mr. Benedum,

When I had the fine pleasure of renewing your acquaintance in Pittsburgh two years ago, you very kindly listened [illegible] story of the progress of our work here. When I told you of the unusual struggle we were having to secure funds for every-day running, you gave us, with your characteristic generosity, one hundred dollars. I cannot tell you what reliefothis brought to us at that time.

We have very little endowment, Mr. Benedum, and the struggle for maintenance is very acute. I am earnestly requesting the friends who know the merit of the program here to help me meet the needs at this time. The enclosed literature and postcard views of our buildings will indicate to you that your investments here have brought marvellous returns. We need your help now, Mr. Benedum. Wont you duplicate the donation you so kindly made two years ago? It would mean so much to us just now.

Please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

January 29, 1938.

Mrs. Edward Thompson,
610 South Ridgewood Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Thompson,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued interest and confidence in the work we are trying to do in Bethune-Cookman College. We are so greatly in need of maintenance funds at this time and it means so much to us to have our old friends to continue sharing in the responsibility of this work.

We hope that you will visit the College often during this season and feel free to give us the benefit of your advice and suggestion at any time. Please use your influence to have others to visit the school and see what we are doing.

May we assure you that your gift at this time brings great relief in helping to meet urgent Budget needs.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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January 29, 1938

Mrs. Herbert Dupuy,
646 Morewood Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

My dear Mrs. Dupuy,

You were very generous to us last year, and through your help and that of a few other loyal friends of the years we were able to carry on and close the year's work with a smaller deficit than we have had in some time. Whenever I think of you I just feel great gratitude to God in [illegible] heart.

The time for the actual securing of endowment funds seems not to have arrived for Bethune-Cookman. We are putting forth every possible effort in this direction, but we must always meet the needs of current maintenance. I am earnestly requesting the continued patience and confidence and interest of my friends, while we try to carry on, in the face of these uncertain times. We are doing our best and the enclosed postcard views and literature will indicate that our combined efforts - ours and those of our friends - have brought forth marvellous results.

Last year, about this time, you generously contributed one hundred dollars, which was such a help to our needs. Wont you duplicate that gift at this time, realising that we need your help equally as much?

Please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

January 31, 1938.

Mr. Irving W. Bonbright,
Hotel Coquina,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Bonbright,

May we extend to you a warmly cordial invitation to visit Bethune-Cookman College this year. You have been comihg to Ormond Beach for many seasons now, and we feel that you must now give us an opportunity to show you what we are doing here. For many years you have contributed to our work, and this has given you a share in what we are doing. The enclosed leaflets and postcard views of our buildings will indicate to you that your investments have been worth while. Every donation made to our work is used with the greatest possible wisdom and integrity.

Wont you try to come down for one of our Sunday meetings, Mr. Bonbright, or wont you come down for some morning and allow us to take you through the Campus and the buildings? If would not take too much of your time and it would mean so very much to us here.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

January 31, 1938.

International Typewriter Exchange,
Credit Department,
231-233 West Monroe Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re - Account No. 2949

Gentlemen,

Mr. N. M. Christopher is not a member of our College Staff - he teaches in the Campbell Street High School of this city. However, he lives in our College Dormitory and receives his mail here. We might say, therefore, that his home address is Bethune-Cookman College. He resided here last year. He taught in this College for one year. I do not know if he has a son, nor if he has in his possession a small Featherweight typewriter in a grey carrying case.

I do hope that you may be able to secure the information desired.

Very truly yours,

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 2, 1938

Miss Lillian Garrett
Probation Officer
Sedgwick County Juvenile Court
Wichita, Kansas

Dear Miss Garrett:

We regret that we are not able to aid the young woman whom you referred to in your letter. She is beyond our classification She will have to be twelfth grade before she can be admitted to Bethune-Cookman College. I wish our NYA organization was so that we could help her, but she is beyond our age. We take them from sixteen through twenty-four.

I hope you will find some school in which to place this young woman in order that she may continue her education.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 2nd, 1938.

Rev. G. Leon Wells,
First Methodist Episcopal Church,
St. Cloud, Florida.

Dear Rev. Wells,

Thank you for your letter of February first regarding Miss Tina Carter, in whose behalf you have been corresponding with us.

We would be very glad to take the young lady into Bethune-Cookman College, and upon your fine recommendation and the aid of those who are interested in her, make some provision for her to work part-time. However, this would not be possible for we cannot accept students classified below the eleventh grade. The scope of our work is from eleventh grade through junior college. It would not be possible, therefore, for us to help her until she could meet our entrance requirements.

I deeply regret this condition and wish to thank you for your interest in the matter.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 3, 1938

Mr. Brooks H. Walker
Box 15
Cordele, Georgia

My dear Mr. Walker:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College this summer.

We are filling your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 4, 1938.

Miss Geneva Campbell,
Winterset, Iowa.

My dear Miss Campbell,

I have read and re-read your kind and cordial letter and I am so happy to know that you are interested in the work we are trying to do here.

I am that little girl who used to walk the five miles to school and the five miles back, with the bread and milk for my lunch.

I am glad to send you some literature descriptive of our school here, also some postcard views of our buildings. Also, I am sending you a short resumé of my life. A full biography will be published in a few months. You will see, by the history of our Institution, that we have made wonderful progress. This has been due largely to the help of interested friends. We have very little endowment and the struggle for daily maintenance has been a very difficult one. You could not have found a more strategic time to help us than at this time. Please be assured of our gratitude for whatever you may do for us, and for whatever influence you may exercise in our behalf.

With gratitude for your interest, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

February 5, 1938.

Mrs. Samuel G. Colt,
16 Colt Road,
Pittsfield, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Colt,

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman, and for your continued kindness to us.

We have received the two packages of materials and clothing and wish to assure you that they will [illegible] of great benefit to our students and to our departments. Everything you sent will be of real service. Bless you for this thought of us.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. We are having a desperate struggle to secure maintenance funds this year and it means so much to have our friends to keep their thoughts, their interest and influence in our direction.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

February 5, 1938

Mrs. Annie L. S. Clark,
433 South Ridgewood Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Clark:

We are deeply grateful to you for your friendship and for your material aid at this time. We are having a desperate struggle to secure maintenance funds and it means so much to have the loyalty and help of our friends.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Community meetings each Sunday afternoon, bringing with you as many other friends as possible. We present a mostinteresting program of music and literature at that time.

With deep appreciation for your contribution of ten dollars, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

February 5, 1938

Mrs. Maurice Hoopes,
1 Glen Street,
Glens Falls, New York.

My dear Mrs. Hoopes,

May we express our deep gratitude for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College and for the generous, unselfish support you have given to us for all of these years. It means so much to us to have our friends stand loyally by us at this time.

Your gift of fifty dollars at this time is of great, great help. It just seems that the time for securing an endowment is not here, and this means that we must continue to struggle for maintenance funds. In this struggle we depend upon our friends to help us all they possibly can.

Please be assured of our deep gratitude for your contribution. It brings such relief to us at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

February 7, 1938.

Mr. Joseph H. Evans,
101 Fifth Street, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Evans,

May we express our deep appreciation to you for your recent generous contribution to our Institution, and for the interest and confidence thus manifested in our work here.

It is our hope that you enjoyed your visit to Bethune-Cookman and to Florida, and that you will look in on us again when you are again in this section.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Acting President.

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February 8, 1938.

The Embassy Hotel,
2940 Collins Avenue,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Attention of Mr. Pickard.

Dear Sir,

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your graciousness in permitting our singers to entertain the guests in your Lobby last Saturday evening. Mr. McCoo reports that the numbers given were very well received.

We are grateful for your interest and for the amount of the collection which came as a result. We enclose official receipt for the amount of this collection - $7.35.

We hope you will permit the group to return to you another year.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donations

February 8, 1938.

Mrs. Valentine Martin,
Box 593,
Hollywood, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Martin,

May we thank you and the people of the Hollywood Temple Methodist Episcopal Church, for permitting our singers to give a concert for you on the evening of February 4th. Mr. McCoo reports that you gave them a very gracious audience, although it was not very large. However, whatever help they may be able to secure for maintenance needs here is greatly appreciated.

We enclose official receipt for $15.75, the College share of the receipts of the evening.

We hope that you will have the group to return to you next year.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

February 9, 1938

Mr. J. W. Duff, Jr.
Hotel LeRoy,
3224 Collins Avenue,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Duff,

May we express our sincere appreciation to you for your graciousness in permitting our singers to entertain the guests of your hotel on Sunday evening. We sincerely hope that they gave you an acceptable program, and that you may have them return to you next year.

We are depending upon the quintette to secure much-needed maintenance funds and the collection of$14.95 from the guests of your hotel brings real relief to us. We are very grateful to you for your consideration in the matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

February 10, 1936.

Mr. Norman Pancoast,
Hotel Pancoast,
Collins and 29th Street,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Pancoast,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for permitting our singers to give a concert in your hotel on the evening of February 7th. Your cooperation is very valuable to us.

We are grateful also for the free-will collection of $23.50 from your guests. This amount will be of great help to us toward our maintenance needs. If you desire to have the group again, we will be happy to have them serve you. Mr. McGee, the director, may be reached through Dr. K. L. Pharr, Pharr Funeral Home, 1025 Northeast Second Avenue, Miami.

Again, thank you for your cooperation and help.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 10, 1938

The Patrician Hotel,
Miami, Florida.

Attention of the Manager.

Dear Sir,

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you for your kindness in permitting our publicity quintette to give a concert in your hotel. The publicity thus gained will be very valuable to them as they continue with their work on the East Coast.

We enclose official receipt for the contributions of the guests who heard the group sing. We sincerely hope that you will permit them to return and give a concert there next year.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

February 10, 1938.

Mrs. Herbert Dupuy,
646 Morewood Avenue,
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Dear, dear friend,

God bless you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. Friends of the years, like you, friends who have stood so loyally by us as we have made the progressive march toward this point, keep us encouraged. So many times the struggle seems too great and the goal is too far ahead, but when we seek your aid and you respond so graciously, we are stimulated to go on with the task.

We are most grateful for your recent contribution of one hundred dollars. This is such a great help to us and enables us to relieve the need of two [illegible] instructors.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Just know that very soon we will have success in our efforts to secure endowment funds and the permanence and security of our work will be assured.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

February 10, 1936.

Mr. C. B. Krom,
The Flamingo Hotel,
1500 Bay Road,
Miami Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Krom,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for permitting our singers to give a concert in your hotel on the evening of February 7th. Your cooperation thus given is very valuable to us.

We are grateful also for the free-will collection of $14.30 from your guests. This amount will be of great help to us toward our maintenance needs. If you desire to have the group again, we will be happy to have them serve you. Mr. McGee, the director, may be reached through Dr. K. L. Pharr, of 1025 Northwest Second Avenue, Pharr Funeral Home.

Again, thank you for your cooperation and help.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

February 10, 1938.

Mrs. Jesse Merrick Smith,
Gramercy Park Hotel,
52 Gramercy Park West,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Smith,

I do hope that you are well and that all continues to go well with you.

You have been kind enough to make a contribution this year, upon the solicitation of Mr. Allen. I do hope, Mrs. Smith, that it will be possible for you to help us a little more at this time. We are rather desperately in need of funds for teachers' salaries and I am calling upon our closest friends to help in this particular. As you know, we havent been able to much in the way of securing permanent endowment, and with the indefinite conditions existing all over the country, the item of providing general maintenance is very, very grave.

I know that you will help us if you possibly can.

Please use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

I shall be in New York within the near future. Meanwhile, please let me hear from you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

February 10, 1938

Mr. Al Jensen,
104 South Beach Street,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Jensen,

May we thank you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. A few days ago you very kindly received our representative and made a contribution to our scholarship fund. We need friends and we hope that you will become more interested in our work as you learn more about us.

We enclose official receipt for your gift.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 10, 1938.

Mrs. R.N. Hemenway,
"Winter Wise,"
215 Glenview Boulevard,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Hemenway,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, as manifested by your recent contribution of five dollars to our maintenance budget. This brings great relief to us at this time.

We sincerely hope that your interest in our work will grow as you know more about our program. Please come over some Sunday afternoon at three o'clock and witness our Community meeting. We can assure you of a most excellent program of music.

Just know that we are grateful for your help and for your influence at any time you may be able to give them.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 11, 1938.

Miss Marjorie J. Adams,
Brown University,
Office of the Vice-President,
Providence, Rhode Island.

My dear Miss Adams,

We are deeply grateful for your thought of our work at this time. We are grateful also for the interest which has prompted your gift of ten dollars, which is received at a time when we are putting forth every possible effort to secure funds for maintenance in order to meet teachers' salaries. We are so happy to receive your contribution at this time, for it helps us to meet these salary needs.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 14, 1938.

Mrs. William H. Moore,
4 East 54th Street,
New York City.

My dear Mrs. Moore,

I cannot tell you what great relief your generosity brings to us at this time. We have received your kind letter and your wonderful check for five hundred dollars, and have been enabled through this evidence of your faith in us, to make substantial payments on teachers' salaries.

I can only say "God bless you," my friend. You can never realize the extent of good you are giving to our young people here, through your investments in the institution that is trying to train them.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 15, 1938

Whitman Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $15.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, thourgh our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 15, 1938

Lincoln Hotel
Miami, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $[illegible].76 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 15, 1938

Mr. John P. Woody, Manager
Plaza Hotel
Biscayne Boulevard at Thirt Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Woody:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $8.07 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 15, 1938.

Mrs. W. B. Thomson,
Hotel Princess Issena,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Thomson,

We are so grateful for your continued interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College. Your contribution of ten dollars, received a few days ago, came at a most stragetic time for we were putting forth strenuous efforts to secure funds with which to pay overdue teachers salaries. We are forced to lean rather heavily upon our friends at this time and we are encouraged and stimulated by their loyal efforts in our behalf. Please, Mrs. Thomson, use your influence in our behalf whenever you can. Until we can secure a permanent endowment we will be faced with the struggle of providing maintenance funds annually, for our students are unable to pay large tuition.

Please continue thoughtful of us and know that we are grateful for all you are doing.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 15, 1938.

Mrs. E. P. Sanderson,
Rose Hill
267 Main Street,
Waltham, Massachusetts.

My dear Mrs. Sanderson,

It is so good of you to respond so promptly to our earnest appeal for maintenance funds at this time. We are so grateful for your continued interest in the work. You have made many investments in Bethune-Cookman College and it must be very gratifying to you to note that they have brought such splendid returns.

Your gift of one hundred dollars enabled us to make some payments on faculty salaries, most urgently needed.

I hope that you may have an opportunity to see the College when you are in Florida. Many changes have been made, thanks to the goodness of our friends. If we could only secure a permanent endowment, this annual grave struggle for maintenance funds would not face us.

We are glad to know that your health continues good.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Just know that we are making good use of every dollar invested in our work.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 15, 1935.

Miss Geneva Campbell,
Winterset, Iowa.

Dear Miss Campbell,

I cannot tell you what great joy and relief your recent letter brought to us, and also your generous gift of one hundred dollars. I am filled with gratitude to you for this evidence of your interest in the education of our people, and specifically for your confidence in the program of Bethune-Cookman.

We are forced, each year, to turn away hundreds of boys and girls who desire to enter Bethune-Cookman but havent funds with which to do so. Many who come to us are giving aid, however, through tuition scholarships and through jobs. Your gift fills a real need, therefore, in our student aid program, and it has been credited in this manner. Through the medium of your generosity two students will be enabled to remain in school and complete their work this year. You are making an investment, therefore, not only in the maintenance budget of this Institution, but in the lives of countless underprivileged Negroes, for our boys and girls teach in the rural districts when they complete their work here.

Please accept our deep gratitude for your interest. May it grow as you know us better. We need friends like you to help us andadvise us and use influence in our behalf. We hope that we may have the privilege of seeing you here at the college some day, in order that we may show you just what we are trying to do.

Gratefully, sincerely,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 15, 1938

Mr. R. G. Flynt, Manager
Ollie Trout's Park
Biscayne Boulevard at 107th Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Flynt:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $2.20 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,

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February 17, 1938.

Mrs.F. Kingsbury Curtis,
Venice, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Curtis,

You are so kind to respond so promptly to my recent appeal. Please be assured of our deep gratitude for your contribution of fifty dollars, which brings so much relief to us at this time. It is so very difficult for us to provide permanent endowment and until such an endowment is in hand, we will find ourselves faced with these acute problems of maintenance.

I hope, Mrs. Curtis, that you will use your influence in our behalf with other friends who may be interested in the training of Negroes. While you are in the State won't you drive over to the College some Sunday afternoon, for one of the Community meetings? It would give us so much pleasure to see you here and have you note the progress the school has made, despite the difficulties with which we have been confronted.

Please continue to be thoughtful of and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 18, 1938.

Mr. Stanley L. Steelman,
420 Grandview Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Steelman,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit our Institution at some convenient time.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of five dollars to our maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

Please try to attend some of our Sunda afternoon community meetings. We feel sure you will enjoy the splendid musical programs of our students.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 18, 1938.

Mrs. Seth S. Spencer,
513 Butler Boulevard,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Spencer,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit Bethune-Cookman and see what we are trying to do here.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of five dollars to our maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Sunday afternoon community meetings and enjoy the musical programs presented by our student groups.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 18, 1938.

The Manager of
The Florida Power and Light Company,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your recent contribution of twenty-five dollars to our Institution. We are crediting this amount to the Annual Students and Teachers' Rally, which represents the combined efforts of our own students and teachers and our local friends, to help share the responsibility of annual maintenance.

We enclose official receipt for your gift. Please be assured of our great appreciation for it, for it helps materially in our efforts to secure funds for faculty salaries.

With best wishes for the continued success, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 18, 1938.

Rev. S. A. Bender,
1726 Brackland Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Rev. Bender,

May we thank you for your kind and interesting letter and for the confidence you have in the type of program we are trying to foster here.

We will be very happy to receive the books you have mentioned, upon the terms you have outlined. We are always eager to add to our Library, which is comparatively small at this time. We would keep the books together, according to your wishes and instructions, and take the very best of care of them. So many friends are sending us books from their libraries to swell the facilities of ours here. When your final decision is reached, if it is in our favor, please know that we shall be most grateful for your consideration.

We enclose some literature and postcard views of our buildings. We hope that it may be possible for you to visit Bethune-Cookman at some time in the near future and see, at first hand, what we are trying to do here to train Christian leaders.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

Mr. Ray. H. Brown, Manager
Antilla Hotel
1108 Ponce De Leon Boulevard
Coral Gables, Florida

My dear Mr. Brown,

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $8.46 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed, We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938.

Rev. W. O. Bartley,
310 Northwest 11th Street,
Miami, Florida.

My dear Rev. Bartley,

May we express our deep gratitude to you and to the members of Ebenezer Methodist Episcopal Church, for the contribution of twelve dollars - Lincoln Day collections - to Bethune-Cookman College.

We are making a desperate struggle to meet maintenance needs of the College at this time and we solicit and deeply appreciate the fullest cooperation of our Methodist constituency. This gift that you have sent will bring relief to urgent needs.

Please, Rev. Bartley, continue to use your influence in our behalf. We need you.

We are happy to know that you permitted the Quintette to sing in your church, and hope that you enjoyed their numbers.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

Mr. J. R. Gormley
347 North Riverside Drive
Ormond, Florida

Dear Mr. Gormley,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit Bethune-Cookman and see what we are trying to do here.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to our Maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Sunday afternoon community meetings and enjoy the musical programs presented by our student groups.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938.

Mrs. C. Brooks Stevens,
173 South Beach Street,
Ormond, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Stevens,

May we thank you for so graciously receiving our representive, and for your continued interest in the work we are trying to do here. We are having a desperate struggle to meet maintenance needs this year, and it seems that the time for the securing of an appreciable permanent endowment for our Institution is not here. We just must depend upon our friends, therefore, to help us over this hard place.

We accept your generous contribution of fifty dollars as a vote of confidence in our work, and we are most grateful to you for it. We beg of you to use your influence in our behalf with others with whom you may come in contact, who may believe in the type of three-fold training of Negro youths that we attempt to offer here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Urmy Hotel,
Miami, Florida

__Attention of the Manager__

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $9[illegible] to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

February 19 - 1938.

Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Dumas
407 Jessamine Boulevard
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. and Mrs. Dumas,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit Bethune-Cookman and see what we are trying to do here.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of two dollars to our Maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for you contribution.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Sunday afternoon community meetings and enjoy the musical programs presented by our student groups.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

Surfside Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $15.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19 - 1938

Shoremead Hotel
Miami Beach, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $27.80 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope yo[illegible]njoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

Mr. O. A. Cook
225 North Halifax Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Cook,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit Bethune-Cookman and see what we are trying to do here.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to our Maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Sunday afternoon community meetings and enjoy the musical programs presented by our student groups.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

Mr. A. F. Plock
410 Jessamine Boulevard
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Mr. Plock,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit Bethune-Cookman and see what we are trying to do here.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of ten dollars to our Maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Sunday afternoon community meetings and enjoy the musical programs presented by our student groups.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

Dr. Margaret Myers
424 North Grandview Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Dr. Myers,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative and listening to the story of our Institution. We sincerely hope that your interest has been aroused and that you will take the time to visit Bethune-Cookman and see what we are trying to do here.

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of one dollar to our Maintenance budget. This is of great help to us at this time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure funds with which to pay teachers' salaries. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

We extend to you a very cordial invitation to attend our Sunday afternoon community meetings and enjoy the musical programs presented by our student groups.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

The Manager of
The Oaks Hotel,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your kindness in permitting our singers to entertain your guests on the evening of February 16th. The publicity thus given is of great value to us. Also, the contributions of the guests, amounting to $16.20, will bring relief to our maintenance needs.

We sincerely hope that the group gave a satisfactory program.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 19, 1938

Student

Mr. A. D. Timmons,
Box 135,
Hernando, Florida.

Dear Mr. Timmons,

Thank you for your letter of February 16th. Our bookkeeping office verifies the balance of $8.00 on your son's account, and the bookkeeper states that this balance was indicated on the last receipt for ten dollars remitted, mailed to you one day this week.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1938

LeRoy Hotel,
Miami, Florida.

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir,

We wish to express our very deep appreciation to you and the guests of your Hotel for your contribution of $8.35 to Bethune-Cookman College through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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February 21, 1938

Venetian Hotel
Miami, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:-

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $27.63 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely,gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1938.

The Daytona Book and Stationery Company,
232 South Beach Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Attention of Mr. Martoccia, Manager.

Dear Mr. Martoccia,

May we express our deep gratitude for your continued interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are especially grateful for your recent generous contribution of fifteen dollars to the annual Students and Teachers' Rally. This gift will bring great encouragement to our efforts.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1938.

The Pastor and Congregation,
St. James A. M. E. Church,
6293 Northwest 17th Avenue,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Friends,

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you and your congregation, and particularly to our alumnus, Miss McBride, for the opportunity given our quintette to give a concert in your church. The encouragement, publicity and material aid thus given their efforts are very valuable, and we are deeply grateful to you for them.

We sincerely hope that the concert given by Mr. McCoo and the boys was enjoyable.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1938

Mr. Frederick Bond
Temple M. E. Church Brotherhood
Miami, Florida

My dear Mr. Bond,

We wish to express our very deep appreciation to you and the members of your congregation for your generous contribution of $24.81 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you and the members of your congregation for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1938

The Geneva Hotel,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Attention of Mrs. E. P. Stengle.

Dear Mrs. Stengle,

May we express our deep appreciation for the opportunity given our singers to entertain the guests of the Geneva Hotel last evening. We hope the concert was satisfactory to you and to our friends there.

We are especially grateful for the gift of $31.50 from these friends, collected after the concert was given. You know just that this gift means to us at this time, in bringing relief to our maintenance needs.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 21, 1938.

Mr. Arthur W. Ellis,
Sun-Ray Park Sanitarium,
West Flagler at 30th Avenue,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Mr. Ellis,

We are deeply grateful for the opportunity given our quintette to give a concert in your hotel. We hope that you and your guests enjoyed their program.

We enclose receipt for the amount of the collection - $19.20 - which will be of great help to us in meeting current maintenance needs.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 22, 1938.

Mr., G. E. Matteson,
President, The Midwest Club,
Peabody Community House,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Matteson,

We are deeply grateful to you for the opportunity you gave our students to sing for your meeting yesterday afternoon. We hope that their contributions to the program were acceptable.

We are grateful also for your contribution of five dollars to the maintenance budget of the College. This will be of great help to us in meeting current needs.

We sincerely hope that your interest in our work will continue.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

February 23, 1938.

Mr. Theodore S. Smith,
250 Decatur Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

Dear Mr. Smith,

I hope that you will pardon my delay in replying to your good letter of January 31st. I have been out of the office and much correspondence has piled up on my desk.

I am happy to refer you to Mrs. I. B. Newman, of 413 North Spruce Street, Daytona Beach, Florida, who has a beautiful tourist home for our people. I am not familiar with Mrs. Newman's rates but if you will write to her she will give you the information within a very short while.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

February 23, 1938.

Mr. William Goff,
Ward 207,
Hando, California.

Dear Mr. Goff,

I have received your letter and sympathize with your desire to perform some service to your race, through the issuing of bulletins and so forth.

I wish very much that I might be of some service to you but I have more responsibilities than I can meet just now and I know of no one who can give you the material aid needed in fostering the laudable project you have in mind.

Do not become discouraged. Just continue working and praying and some way will be opened for you.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1938.

Mr. Herbert Elwell,
The Cleveland Institute of Music,
2605 Euclid Avenue,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Elwell,

May we thank you for your recent letter, calling our attention to the availability of Mr. Howard Swanson, recent graduate of the Cleveland Institute of Music, for institutional service.

While we not anticipate any vacancies in our music staff for next year, we will be glad to keep your letter, setting forth Mr. Swanson's qualifications, on file for use in the event that a vacancy may occur.

We are grateful to you for calling this matter to our attention.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1938.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley C. Price,
The Hoover Company,
North Canton, Ohio.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Price,

Last Spring, when Mr. Gerald E. Allen called to your attention the merits of the service we are trying to perform here at Bethune-Cookman College, you very kindly sent us a generous donation to help with maintenance needs. To say that this donation brought great relief to us is putting the statement mildly.

We want to thank you again for the interest which prompted this gift. We received it as a vote of confidence in our program.

The enclosed literature, descriptive of our work, and the reprint of an editorial which recently appeared in one of our outstanding local papers, will indicate that we are making no backward steps. We have no endowment, however, and we must depend upon friends to help us as much as they possibly can, to meet maintenance needs.

May we solicit your continued interest and whatever further help you may give to us at this time? We must raise from eight to ten thousand dollars from friends to carry us to [illegible] end of this fiscal year without a deficit. We hope that you may find it within your power to help us at this time, for we so greatly need it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1938.

Mr. Thomas J. Watson,
270 Broadway,
New York, New York.

Dear Mr. Watson,

When we wrote to your office some weeks ago your secretary replied that you were then out of the country and that you would write to us upon your return.

Fearing that the matter might have escaped your attention, we are again appealing to you for some material aid toward our maintenance budget this year. We find it very necessary to depend upon our friends at this time. We are in urgent need of help to meet teachers' salaries at this time.

You have been generous in your contributions in the past and we sincerely hope that you can help us now. The enclosed literature descriptive of our work, and the reprint of an Editorial which recently appeared in our local paper, will indicate to you that we are not making any backward steps but are doing our best to hold our standard of service.

May we hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1938.

Mr. James H. Bows,
219 South Park Street,
Oberlin, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Bows,

May we thank you for your recent letter, making application for a position on the teaching staff of our Institution.

Although we do not anticipate an opening in our department of Romance languages for next year, we will keep your application on file and give all possible consideration to it should an unexpected opening occur.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1938.

Miss Maude Meagher,
115 Newbury Street,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Miss Meagher,

May we express our gratitude for the fine gift of a subscription to "World Youth" that comes to us as a result of a kindly, interested friend of Youth.

Our students and teachers will read this publication with gratification and inspiration and at some time in the near future will be glad to join with students of other countries in expressing their views through the medium of this publication.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

February 24, 1938.

Mrs. Raymond Walker,
711 North Grandview Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Walker,

We are very grateful to you for receiving our representative and for the interest you have manifested in our work here. Your donation of one dollar to our maintenance budget brings great encouragement to us at this time.

We enclose official receipt for this remittance.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 24, 1938.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harley C. Price,
The Hoover Company,
North Canton, Ohio.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Price,

Last Spring, when Mr. Gerald E. Allen called to your attention the merits of the service we are trying to perform here at Bethune-Cookman College, you very kindly sent us a generous donation to help with maintenance needs. To say that this donation brought great relief to us is putting the statement mildly.

We want to thank you again for the interest which prompted this gift. We received it as a vote of confidence in our program.

The enclosed literature, descriptive of our work, and the reprint of an editorial which recently appeared in one of our outstanding local papers, will indicate that we are making no backward steps. We have no endowment, however, and we must depend upon friends to help us as much as they possibly can, to meet maintenance needs.

May we solicit your continued interest and whatever further help you may give to us at this time? We must raise from eight to ten thousand dollars from friends to carry us to the end of this fiscal year without a deficit. We hope that you may find it within your power to help us at this time, for we so greatly need it.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Dear madam:
Enclosed find two checks
#100.00 each total $200.00
Wishing you in your
work for the year 1938
With every good wish
Sincerely H. C. Price
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Donors

February 25, 1938

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Miami, Florida

Attention of the Business and
Professional Women's Group

Dear Friends:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the members of your congregation for your generous contribution of $3.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 25, 1938.

Mrs. Hattie M. Strong
2900 Cathedral Street
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Strong,

As we look backward thirty-three years to the planting of the little seed from which this institution grew, we feel anew great gratitude to the friends who have contributed so largely to its wonderful growth. We had a very small capital but our vision was very great, and this vision challenged others to help us. Constant struggle has brought about the justification of our faith, for through God and our friends, we have been able to erect buildings and secure equipment, revise our curriculum and secure good teachers.

Six months of our fiscal year have gone and we are now able to anticipate, with a reasonable amount of certainty, what the exp rience of the next six months will be. We know now that we must request the aid of friends, to the extent of their ability, if we are to close the year without a deficit.

We are sending this note to you, Mrs. Strong, as an SOS. Last Spring you were kind enough to make a contribution to us and we considered it a vote of confidence. Wont you help us again at this time? We are in great need of funds to pay teachers' salaries and for everyday running.

We shall appreciate whatever you may do to help us carry on.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 25, 1938.

Mrs. Julia Haskins,
13 South Oleander Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Haskins,

We are most grateful to you for receiving our representative and for the interest you have manifested in our work here. Your donation of one dollar, to help meet maintenance needs, is warmly received. Please continue thoughtful of us and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

We enclose official receipt for your gift.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 25, 1938

Mrs. Katie G. Johnson,
Peninsula Drive and Earl,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Johnson,

May we express our appreciation to you for your graciousness in receiving our representative, and for your contribution to our general maintenance budget. We sincerely hope that your interest in us will continue.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 25, 1938

Mrs. Gertrude Whittemore FiLondon,
Hudson, Massachusetts.

Dear Mrs. FiLondon,

We have just received through Mrs. Ranslow, your gift of ten dollars to our maintenance budget and we send this note to express our deep gratitude to you for this vote of confidence. We also send official receipt for the amount contributed.

You could not have come to our rescue at a more strategic time, for we are making a desperate effort to secure maintenance funds. Our Institution has very little endowment and we have to lean rather heavily upon our friends to help us with our daily running. Just know, therefore, that we are most grateful for your present aid and for whatever you may do for us, in help or influence, in the future.

We enclose some literature for your study. We shall be so glad to have you visit the school again when you are in Daytona Beach.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 25, 1938

Coral Gables Lodge
303 Minorca Avenue
Coral Gables, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the members of your congregation for your generous contribution of $2.45 to Bethune-Cookman College, though our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. We are so grateful to you for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to entertain you.

Sincerely, gratefully,

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February 25, 1938.

The Manager of
The Daytona Beach
Sheet Metal Works,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Sir,

May we express sincere appreciation for your contribution of ten dollars to our Annual Student-Teacher Rally effort, through our Business Manager, Mr. Taylor. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

It is not only helpful to our material situation to have this type of cooperation - it is also encouraging to have your confidence in our program.

With best wishes for your continued success, I am

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 25, 1938

Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Miami, Florida

Attention of the Business and
Women's Group

Dear Friends:

We wish to express our very deep gratitude to you and the members of your congregation for your generous contribution of $3.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Publicity Quintette.

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Sincerely, gratefully,

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February 26, 1938

Mrs. Richard Cobden, Jr.,
712 Wild Olive Avenue, North,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Cobden,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for receiving our representative, and for your interest in our Institution. Your contribution of one dollar to our general maintenance needs is a great help to us at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 28, 1938.

Mrs. Lillian B. Carroll,
509 North Grandview Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Carroll,

I have just arrived in Daytona Beach, and my office informs me that you are here and that my letter has been sent to you.

We are having our Annual Bazaar on Tuesday, March 8th, and I hope it is going to be possible for you to be here on that occasion. Try to come, for I do want to have a talk with you.

Our Senior Day exercises will be held on Sunday, March 6th. This also will be a most interesting occasion and I hope that you may be able to come out.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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February 28, 1938.

Mr. A. L. Lewis,
105 East Union Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Mr. Lewis,

I just arrived in the State this morning. I am happy to learn that you have responded to our appeal with a contribution of one hundred dollars.

I do want you to be sure to come down for the annual meeting of the Trustee Board on Wednesday, March 2nd, at ten o'clock. Bring Mrs. Lewis with you. I shall be expecting you both.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

General Correspondence (Outgoing) March - April 1938

Donors

March 3, 1938

Mr. Parkhill and Mr. Tomlinson
Indiana Club
555 Volusia Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Friends,

May we thank you for the opportunity given our quintette to sing for the Indiana Club, and for the contribution of $11.20 to our maintenance budget. We sincerely hope the concert was enjoyable, and that you will continue your interest and influence in behalf of our work.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 3rd, 1938.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Thomas,
412 South Beach Street,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Thomas,

May we thank you for your graciousness in receiving our representative, and for your generous contribution of five dollars to our maintenance needs.

We are greatly in need of funds and friends and we welcome your interest. We hope that this interest will grow as you know our work better.

We hope that you will attend our annual Bazaar on Tuesday, March 8th, and the Sunday afternoon community meetings each Sunday at three o'clock.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 3, 1938

Mrs. Estelle Mills,
2072 Eighth Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mrs. Mills,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your recent contribution of one dollar to our maintenance needs. You could not have paid your pledge at a more strategic time, for we are putting forth every possible effort to secure funds.

We hope that your interest in the work will continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 3rd, 1938.

Dear Friend,

Bethune-Cookman College feels deep gratitude to you for your material cooperation with the general efforts of our Institution, and particularly for your assistance in making the News-Journal Cooking School demonstration in our Auditorium a success. This demonstration was well attended and well received, and the prize you so kindly provided added stimulus to the occasion.

We request your continued interest and influence for the work of our College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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General

March 3, 1938

Mr. Raymond Paty
C/o Works Progress Administration
10 Forsythe Street Building
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mr. Paty,

I am at Bethune-Cookman College for a few days and find that I can be with you in Savannah on Monday, March 14, 1938.

I am sending a note to this effect also to Mr. Bullock and hope that this date will meet your convenience.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,
Director, Division of Negro Affairs.

Student

March 4 - 1938

Miss Sidney Marie Dickson,
1678 Alston Street,
Shreveport, Louisiana.

My dear Miss Dickson,

Thank you very much for your letter of February 28th. I appreciate your ambition and your desire for an education.

If you are in high school, I can only advise that you make application to your high school principal for NYA aid, if it is given next year. As you perhaps know, the aid allowed College students is much larger in amount that that allowed High School students, but I am sure you would receive some help from whatever you might receive.

Keep up your courage and your faith. If you are working now, continue to do so. When you are ready to enter Southern College, make application to the President for NYA or scholarship aid, and I am sure he will be glad to give you consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 4, 1938.

Attorney S. D. McGill
610 West Duval Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Attorney McGill:

Please may we thank you for your contribution of $5.00 to the Alumni Unit of Bethune-Cookman College. It is gratifying to note the interest that you have manifested in our program through the years.

Enclosed you will find receipt for $5.00. May your influence among friends grow more dollars for Bethune-Cookman College.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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March 4, 1938

Allweather Tire Company,
148 North Ridgewood Avenue,

Daytona Beach, Florida.

Gentlemen,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, as manifested by your good-will and courtesies during the years, and by your recent donation of ten dollars to our Annual Students and Teachers Rally. The cooperation of our friends at this time is encouraging to us, for we find such great need of funds for maintenance.

We sincerely hope that we may continue to depend upon you for your help and the use of your influence in our behalf.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune, President.

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Donor

March 5th, 1938.

Mr. Edward R. Rodrigues,
C/o Edward Waters College,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Mr. Rodrigues,

May we express our warmest appreciation to you for your loyal interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College.

Your gift to our maintenance budget brings real relief at this time. I want to be able to depend upon our trustees to give us some aid annually.

Please continue your interest and the use of your influence in our behalf.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 6, 1938

Miss Lillian Hines
Bethune-Cookman College
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss Hines:

I want to thank you for your full letter and all it contains. Your philosophy is all right. Your description of the financial situation is very vivid. You have given to us all food for thought. I assure you it shall not be passed up lightly. There is great restlessness during these times but I shall not be moved. I know in whom I trust. My desire is only for the proper adjustment and for the continuation of the work. Whatever mistakes we have made and are still making, I stand ready for correction. The right thing is all I want.

As far as your resignation is concerned, hold that in abeyance and we will see what we can do to adjust our situation between now and the 30th of June. It is not my desire to have anyone suffer; I have done and am still doing sufficiently that for Bethune-Cookman. I have many things on my mind now and hope to write you another letter later. Even with all the clamor and plundering and the muttering of the earthquake around me, my courage is still secure. My faith is undaunted. We must carry on.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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Dictated 4-3-38

General

March 5 - 1938

Mr. Cirilo Lambert
295 West 147th Street
New York, New York

My dear Mr. Lambert,

Thank you for your letter of March second.

I shall be in New York on the morning of March 17th. You may reach me at the residence of Mrs. Mayme Anderson-Pratt, 239 West 131st Street.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9th, 1938.

Miss Lillian Hines,
Bethune-Cookman College.

My dear Miss Hines,

I have it in my mind to have you here as Bursar of Bethune-Cookman College, actually doing the business work of the institution. I hope that it will be possible for us to get this over. We must work out our plans, but this will be my recommendation for next year.

I want you to know how much we appreciate the real interest and splendid service you are giving to Bethune-Cookman.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 9th, 1938.

Mr. Donald Traer,
Box 988,
Winter Park, Florida.

My dear Mr. Traer,

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your continued interest in the Birthday Club of Bethune-Cookman College. We have just received your letter and your 1938 gift of 20¢, receipt for which is enclosed.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 10, 1938.

Donors

Mr. Frank B. Sanborn,
Hotel Coquina,

Ormond Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Sanborn,

We are deeply grateful for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. We were so glad to have a visit from you and your group, and to have you with us for our Community Meeting.

Your contribution of twenty-five dollars brings great relief to our maintenance budget at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We solicit your continued interest and influence. Try to get down for our All-States Day program next Sunday - it promises to be most interesting.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 10, 1936.

Mrs. J. Roberts Given,
802 Fifth Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Given,

On behalf of the students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College we wish to express deep gratitude to you for the gift of fifty song books to our Institution. I wish to assure you that they are very much needed, for our material conditions have not been conducive to the supplying of our needs in Music, and the students have been forced, in some instances, to use mimeographed sheets to learn the songs. Our hymn books were old and many of them had worn out completely.

We always find very useful anything along this line and we are so grateful to our friends for their thought of us.

I hope that you have enjoyed your visits to the school and that your interest in our work will continue.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 10, 1938

Mrs. Beatrice Hall
36 West 44th Street
C/o A. Joseph Handel
New York City

My dear Mrs. Hall:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of work we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 10, 1938

Mr. Edward R. Rodriguez
C/o Edward Waters College
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Rodriguez:

May we express our very deep gratitude to you for your very generous contribution of $5.00 to Bethune-Cookman College.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this manifestation of your confidence in the type of work we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Laura

March 11, 1938

Mrs. Laura Rae
Lake Worth, Florida

My dear Mrs. Rae:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $1.00 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of work we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us..

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 11, 1938

Mrs. G. A. Fairbanks
Hotel Morgan
Newport, New Hampshire

Dear Mrs. Fairbanks:

May we express our very deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $7.25 to our Birthday Club.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of work we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 12, 1938

Mr. Theodore Brooks
College Arms Hotel
DeLand, Florida

My dear Mr. Brooks:

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $30.15 to Bethune-Cookman College, through our Singers.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give them another opportunity to serve you again.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 12, 1938

Mr. C. Blythe Andrews,
Secretary-Treasurer,
Central Life Insurance Company,
Box 1092,
Tampa, Florida.

Dear Mr. Andrews,

May I acknowledge, with gratitude, the receipt of the check for $15.00 from The Central Industrial Insurance Company, which represents a bonus for the month of February, 1938.

It is a great privilege to be a part of our splendid organization.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 12, 1938

Dean

Mrs. F. P. Dean, Secretary
Tourist Club
New Smyrna Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Dean:

We wish to exrpess our deep gratitude to you and the guests of your Hotel for your generous contribution of $15.45 to Bethune-College, through our Publicity Quintette.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We hope you enjoyed the Concert by our group and will give the another opportunity to serve you again.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 12, 1938

Miss Miriam C. Reyer
614 Portage Avenue,
South Bend, Indiana.

Dear Miss Reyer,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of fifty-one dollars to Bethune-Cookman College this year, and for your great help to this young man - Louis Stephens - who would not have been able to go through the year without your aid. I just want to say "God bless you" for your generous kindness. Let us all hope that the investment that you are making will bring great returns in service.

We hope that we may have the pleasure of a visit from you at some convenient time.

May your interest and influence for our work continue.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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enc-receipt for $17.00

March 12th, 1943

Mr. and Mrs. Harley C. Price,
The Hoover Company,
North Canton, Ohio.

My dear friends,

When I opened the letter and found your checks to Bethune-Cookman College, for one hundred dollars each, tears came to my eyes - tears of gratitude for your generous consideration. These gifts mean so much to our maintenance budget at this time and they enable us to help pay our teachers' salaries.

We are most grateful for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College. We hope that you may take the time to visit us whenever you are in this section. The donations which friends have made to the work over this period of years have brought wonderful returns in the lives of the young people we have served.

May I thank you warmly for your generous help at this time. Just know that it is an investment in the lives of underprivileged Negro boys and girls who will prove worthy of the opportunity.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 12, 1936

Park Methodist Episcopal
Sunday School,
Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Dear Friends,

We have received, through Mrs. J. R. Givens of this city, some much-needed song books for our students' use. These song books, we understand, came from your Sunday School.

We have written Mrs. Givens a letter of thanks for this gift and we send this to express our appreciation to you for making it possible. The books are already in use and will be of real help to our music department.

Mrs. Givens has visited the school this season and we hope that she will give you first-hand information concerning our program when she returns to New Jersey.

With best wishes for the continued success of your organization, and with deep gratitude, we are

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 12th, 1938.

Mrs. A. F. Wilson,
Riverway,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Wilson,

I just want to thank you for your continued interest in the work, and for all of the influence and help you have given to us for these years.

I thought the Spring Fete was so very beautiful, and so much appreciated by all who attended it. I think the people liked the idea of having it our of doors. The receipts, too, were gratifying, particularly for this time, although the total is not as large as the total of the Bazaar last year. Up to this time, the total of receipts, including the Princess Issena Sale, is $886.00. I think this is very good.

We are most grateful to you for your contribution of fifty dollars to maintenance. This encourages and helps us more than we can express. I know that you and Prof. Wilson will continue to stand by and will always keep this work on your hearts.

I am leaving for my work in Washington tomorrow. I must fill engagements on the Pacific Coast in April and a part of May and I may not be able to get back to the College until late May. Please continue to help them to carry on.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 14, 1938.

Mrs. W. F. Morris,
138 Arlington Way,
Ormond Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Morris,

I thought the "Spring Fete" was delightful. I think the ladies promoted not only a unique, but a beautiful and effective entertainment.

May we thank you for your contribution of two dollars, through Mrs. Meigs. We enclose receipt for this amount. We wish to thank you also for the cooperation and help that you gave to make the occasion a success.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 14, 1938

Donors

Mr. Schenk, Manager,
Hotel Alabama,
Winter Park, Florida.

Dear Sir,

May we thank you for the opportunity given our boys to sing for your guests last evening. We hope that the program was enjoyed.

We are most grateful for the offering of $39.47, which helps us greatly in meeting maintenance needs at this time.

Please continue your interest in our work and your influence in our behalf.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 14, 1938

Bishop R. A. Grant,
C/o Edward Waters College,
Jacksonville, Florida.

My dear Bishop Grant,

I just want to send you a note of gratitude for the kind words said concerning Bethune-Cookman College and the generous contributions made to our work.

I hope you took the time, while you were here in the city, to look through our school and see some of the things we are doing.

We were happy to have the participation of Edward Waters College students in the Interracial Conference held here on March fourth. We had a great meeting. There were representatives from the University of Florida, Stetson University, Rollins College, Edward Waters College, Florida Normal and Bethune-Cookman. The most representative students of these Institutions came. May I assure you that Edward Waters College stood straight up. The representation given by the two young people from that institution was excellent and reflected great credit upon your institution.

May I wish for you continued success in the splendid work you are doing in the State.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

March 14, 1938

Donor

Mrs. H. H. J. Hilliard,
914 North Atlantic Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Hilliard,

We are deeply grateful to you for your recent gift of three dollars to the annual effort of our Women's Advisory Board.

The "Spring Fete" which they gave was very beautiful and very effective. Their receipts did not come up to the total of last year, but in view of present circumstances, we feel that we did well.

Mrs. Hilliard, please give to us your continued interest in the work we are trying to do. Please use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm
1 enclosure

March 14, 1938

Mrs. William Harkness,
415 East New York Avenue,
DeLand, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Harkness,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of five dollars to our Advisory Board effort this year. We were so sorry that you could not come over to the beautiful "Spring Fete." It was unique and attractive and I believe it was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended it. The ladies cooperated fully and everything went forward smoothly.

We hope it is going to be possible for you to be present at the annual meeting of the Advisory Board on Tuesday, March 22nd, at three o'clock. I shall not be here at time, but I shall be thinking of you all.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

General

March 14, 1938.

Dr. F. W. Turrentine,
206 North Wild Olive Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Dr. Turrentine,

I just want to tell you how disappointed I am not to be in closer touch with you and Mrs. Turrentine, when I reach the college at intervals. I do want your deepest interest and consideration. I think we are doing a very splendid work here and, as I said to you last year, I need your advice, your counsel and your influence to help us carry on.

I deeply regret that you could not attend the annual Trustee meeting. I tried to get in touch with you and finally sent you a note on the morning of the session. I have before me a note from Mrs. Turrentine, explaining that you were out of the city that day. I thought that Mrs. Turrentine might have had some notice of the meeting, through the channels of the Advisory Board, and would have told you. Our annual meeting is always held on the first Wednesday in March.

Please continue your interest in our work. We need you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

March 15, 1938

Miss Marjorie H. Gale
C/o Miss Florence Gale
125 South Wild Olive Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Miss Gale:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $1.50 to our Annual Bazaar.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

Donors

March 15th, 1938

Mrs. Mary Hyde,
R. D. 4,
Quaker City, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Hyde,

I just want to thank you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars to our maintenance needs. I cannot tell you how much this means to us at this time.

I hope you enjoyed the Community Meeting on Sunday. I thought it was a fine meeting. It is so encouraging to note the fine response and the appreciation of our friends.

May God bless you for your investment in this Cause. Be assured of the fact that it will be increased through the lives and service of these young people who are now being benefited.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 15, 1938.

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mr. Melvin Dixon
4 Dixon Avenue
Worcester, Massachussetts

My dear Mr. Dixon:

Please may we thank you for your contribution of $1.00 to our Student Scholarship Fund. It is gratifying to note the interest that you have manifested in our program through the years.

Enclosed you will find receipt for $1.00. May your influence among friends continue.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

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March 15, 1938.

Rev. R. D. Doumstra
Pella, Iowa

My dear Friend:

Please may we thank you for your contribution of $1.00 toward the perpetuating of the ideals of this Institution. It is gratifying to us to note the interest that you are manifesting in our program.

Enclosed you will find receipt in the amount of $1.00. May your influence among friends be far-reaching.

Respectfully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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[illegible] 15, 1938

Miss Mollie Exum
3795 Florida Avenue
Coconut Grove, Florida

My dear Miss Exum:

We are very sorry that we do not have a Nurse Training course here at the present. All hospitals have different requirements. Some hospitals require you to complete your high school work before taking up Nurse Training, and others do not.

I hope you can find a school where they have such course in order that you may be able to carry out your plans.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

Donors

March 16, 1938

Morgan-Gertner Company
119 North Charles Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Attention of the Manager

Dear Sir:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $20.00 to our Students Teachers Rally.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

This amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

March 16, 1938

Mr. J. V. Roberts
125 North Charles Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Roberts:

We wish to express our gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $25.00 to our Students Teachers Rally.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

This amount aids us greatly in meeting our daily maintenance needs. May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

March 17, 1938

Donors

Mrs. John F. Nichols
Hotel Clarendon
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Nichols,

We have just received, through Mrs. Harley E. Jones, the amount of five dollars, which represents your cooperation with the efforts of our Women's Advisory Board, in the recent Sale at the Hotel Princess Issena.

We send this note to express our gratitude for this evidence of your interest in our Institution. We depend rather largely upon the efforts of our Board members to meet annual maintenance needs here. You can understand, therefore, how grateful we are for all friends who support their efforts in our behalf.

We enclose official receipt for five dollars.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

March 17th, 1938

Miss Greekie T. Duffin,
1118 Columbia Road, Northwest,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Duffin,

May I say that I will be glad to fill the engagement with you on Wednesday; March 23, 1938, at 8 p. m. if my secretary made the engagement for me.

I shall appreciate it if you will just give me a call or send me a note of reminder two or three days prior to the meeting.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 18, 1938

Mr. Slaughter,
Hotel Clarendon,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Slaughter,

We are deeply grateful to you for the opportunity of presenting our singers to the guests of the Hotel Clarendon. The director reports that the concert last evening was so graciously received and we are happy to know that the guests enjoyed it.

We are grateful also for the collection of $36.[illegible]0, which will go far toward helping us meet maintenance needs.

We hope that your interest in our work and the use of your influence in our behalf, will continue. We hope that you will permit the singers to appear in both the Clarendon and the Coquina next year.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure- (receipt for $36.30)

General

March 18th, 1938

Mr. R. Roddis Locke
2090 University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida

Dear Mr. Locke,

Your letter of March 9 to Mrs. Bethune has been received in her absence from the office. She has returned to her duties in Washington, and will not return to the college for some weeks.

I am referring your letter to our acting president, Mr. Simpson, who will write you within a few days.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

Donor

March 19, 1938.

Mrs. Hattie M. Strong,
Hay-Adams House,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mrs. Strong,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued interest in the work we are trying to do here. Your generous contribution of fifty dollars means so much to our maintenance budget at this time. We have been having a very difficult time and we are so grateful to our friends for the way they are standing by us.

You will be interested to know that we are going forward in our work, despite the adverse material conditions. In order to close our work without a deficit this year we are making some retrenchments but we are trying to keep the work up the high standard that will insure the best development of the students.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 22, 1938

Mr. S. H. Carnahan,
Sutherlin, Oregon.

Dear Mr. Carnahan,

May we thank you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. We have received the papers and magazines you so kindly sent to the Library and our students and teachers have all enjoyed them.

We hope you will continue to be thoughtful in this way. Although we have made most unusual progress in the work of the school during these years, we have a very small endowment and must depend largely upon our friends to help us meet maintenance needs. The enclosed literature will indicate to you the type of program we are fostering at this time.

We deeply appreciate your interest and hope that it may continue.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

March 22, 1938.

Mrs. W. B. Easton,
Osceola Hotel,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Easton,

We have received, through Mrs. Ferris J. Meigs, your contribution of five dollars to the recent effort of the Advisory Board - "The Spring Fete."

I know Mrs. Meigs has described to you the beauty of this affair, if you were not able to be present that day. It brought great satisfaction to the ladies of the Board and the proceeds of the sale and dinner, and the gifts of friends, were most gratefully received. We are happy to add the amount of your gift to the total, and to add your name to our list of friends. We sincerely hope that your interest in our work will continue.

We enclose official receipt for the amount of your gift.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

Student

March 22, 1938

Mr. Morris S. Jefferson,
Company 4459, S.C.S.9,
Civilian Conservation Corps,
Buena Vista, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Jefferson,

We are sending to you, under separate cover, copy of our current catalog, in order that you may know the requirements for entrance to Bethune-Cookman College.

Scholarships are allowed to one of the first three honor graduates of a preceding year, in the accredited high schools of Florida. Other aid, as you will note in the catalog, is along the line of work opportunities. None of this aid is sufficient for a full year's expenses for a student, for we must receive some of the fees of each student, in cash.

We hope that you may be able to enter here. Make application for NYA aid later in the Spring and if this help is allowed Institutions another year we will be very glad to give your application all possible consideration.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

March 23, 1938.

General

Mr. Moss Hyles Kendrix,
Morehouse College,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Hendrix,

The delay in replying to your letter has been due to our very full program of Spring activities, which has prevented the meeting of our committees for the consideration of business matters and advertising.

May we congratulate you upon your fine organization - Delta Phi Delta - and for the ideals which will actuate your work among Journalistic students in the future. If our current budget would permit, we would be glad to have an advertisement in the first issue of "The Delphid." Our budget for advertising is already overspent, however, and we cannot accede to your request.

Please accept my best wishes for the success of your publication.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

Student

March 25, 1938

Mr. Lemmen Henderson,

Enterprise, Alabama.

Dear Mr. Henderson,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 21st. We shall be very glad to have you enter our summer session here.

The opportunities for working during the summer are very limited and we regret that we cannot promise to allow you some aid along this line to help with your expenses. Our summer school charges are very reasonable therefore we can offer very little work.

Within a few days the Summer School Bulletin will be ready for release and we will be very glad to send one to you.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

Donor

March 23, 1938

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE ARCHIVES

Miss Lulu Houser,
323 Fourth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Miss Houser,

We are so happy to receive your cordial letter of March 11th.

We will be very happy to have the NATIONAL HUMANE REVIEW and PROGRESS for our Library. Both students and teachers will read them with profit. Our maintenance budget is severely reduced this year and we are depending more than ever upon friends to help us provide the things we need. We greatly need magazines and periodicals for the Library.

We shall be grateful for the story of the life of Samuel Morris, also. I am familiar with the story but we havent a copy in our Library.

May we express deep gratitude for your interest in our work here.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

March 24, 1938

BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
ARCHIVES

Mr. J. Henry Alston
Route 4, Box 68
Fort Worth, Texas

My dear Mr. Alston:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event [illegible] have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 24, 1938

Miss Ernestine Winifred Roberts
1939 Spruce Street
Terre Haute, Indiana

My dear Miss Roberts:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Miss Kathryn E. Richardson
P. O. Box 21
Atmore, Alabama

My dear Miss Richardson:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

Donor

March 24, 1938

Mr. J. B. Kahn,
Kahn's Men's Shop,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Kahn,

We are deeply grateful to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman College, and for your recent donation of ten dollars to our Annual Students and Teachers Rally. This brings us encouragement as well as help in the efforts we are putting forth here.

The proper credit has been given the donation in the Drive and we enclose official receipt for the gift.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

March 24, 1938

Mr. C. A. Chick
Virginia Union University
1500 North Lombardy Street
Richmond, Virginia

My dear Mr. Chick:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Miss Iona E. Swift
129 West 142nd Street
New York City

My dear Miss Swift:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Miss Nancy Claude Simmons
3639 Springhill Avenue
Inkster, Michigan

My dear Miss Simmons:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occour in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Miss Louise V. Smith
Fisk University
Nashville, Tennessee

My dear Miss Smith:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Mr. Herman Perry Bailey
Lincoln University
Chester County, Pennsylvania

My dear Mr. Bailey:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Mr. A. Victor Jette
278 Lawshe Street
Apartment 520
Atlanta, Georgia

My dear Mr. Jette:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Miss Cornelia E. Irvin
Livingstone College
Salisbury, North Carolina

My dear Miss Irvin:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Mr. Nathaniel Gatlin
Theological Quadrangle
Oberlin, Ohio

My dear Mr. Gatlin:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Mr. Goode Samuel Clark, Jr.
18 Bellevue Street
Hartford, Connecticut

My dear Mr. Clark:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Mr. Edward W. Jones
Box 21
Burkeville, Virginia

My dear Mr. Jones:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

March 24, 1938

Miss Dorothy Haynes
1308 Alice Street
Chattanooga, Tennessee

My dear Miss Haynes:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

Student

March 25, 1938

Miss Moese Giles
Blundon Orphanage
189 McKinley Street
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Dear Miss Giles,

Thank you very much for your recent letter and your expressed desire to become a student of Bethune-Cookman College when you shall have completed your high school course there.

Under separate cover we are sending you a current catalog and some literature descriptive of Bethune-Cookman College. We do not have opportunities here for students to earn all of their expenses while they are going to school. We do have part-time jobs, however, that pay a part of the student's expense; also we sometimes allow a student to work a full year, without going to school, in order that he may earn enough credit to go to school the following year. I suggest that you make application in the spring of next year, for such an opportunity, if you desire to enter as a work student in the Fall of 1939.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

March 28, 1938

Dr. M. J. Holmes
740 Rush Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Dr. Holmes:

Thank you for your letter. My letter seemed to convey to you what I did not intend that it should convey. I really did not know that Bingham and Thompson and Mr. Gaudet carried all the insurance of Bethune-Cookman. I had the impression that we had insurance elsewhere and I was simply asking that it be placed locally. Because of the relationship and service of Bingham and Thompson, I could not ask for a change in the setup we now have.

My meeting in New York was interesting. I think another stake has been driven and we are steadily working on. Dean Brawley's visit to us was very helpful. We have some ticklish spots there now to tackle. A surgeon is needed in some instances for the solidity of the institution and we shall have to subject ourselves to the operation. Money is scarce. I am most restless concerning our budget for the year but I still believe that things will work out.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune
Director, Division of Negro Affairs

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March 28, 1938.

Mrs. Lulu Houser,
528 Fourth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Houser,

How kind you are to think of our Institution in such a splendid way. We are so much in need of periodicals for our library and will be very glad to get those that you have ordered for us.

We shall be very happy to have the subscription to another of the Unity publications and should prefer "Daily Unity" for our students.

We, too, read the Unity publications with much pleasure and appreciation. One of our friends entered a subscription for "Weekly Unity" for us, and it fills a real place in the reading schedule of students and teachers alike.

Again, may we thank you for your interest in the work we are trying to do here.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

Donor

March 28, 1938

Mrs. Helen Joy Morgan
Brookland Methodist Episcopal Church,
14th and Lawrence Street, Northeast,
Washington - D. C.

My dear Mrs. Morgan,

Last year you were kind enough to make a generous contribution to the maintenance needs of Bethune-Cookman College, a contribution which brought great relief to us.

Our endowment fund has not been materially increased during the year, and we find ourselves in great need of funds at this time - particularly to pay teachers salaries. We are wondering if it will be possible for you to help us again this year. We are appealing to our friends to help us with contributions of any size, for we must close the year without a deficit.

Teachers and students are combining their efforts to raise funds to help meet this goal. We are asking friends to help also and will be so grateful for whatever they may be able to do forums.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

Student

March 29, 1938

Miss Isabell W. Woodgyet,
C/o Mr. A. W. Norris,
Route 2,
Lafayette, Alabama.

My dear Miss Woodgyet,

Thank you very much for your letter of March 24th. We are happy to know that you desire to enter Bethune-Cookman College at some time in the future.

The catalog that is being sent to you, under separate cover, will indicate to you the types of self-help offered to students. We have no way for a student to earn all of his or her expenses and attend classes. There are a few opportunities, however, for students to work fully for one year and go to school the following year.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

March 30, 1938

Miss Violet A. Wright
87 Fairview Avenue
Landsdowne, Pennsylvania

My dear Miss Wright:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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March 30, 1938

Mr. Alton R. F. Williams
511 North Fifth Avenue
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Mr. Williams:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-ejt

Donor

March 30th, 1938

Mrs. Sadie T. Marze,
4602 Kane Place, N. E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mrs. Marze,

We sincerely hope that the work of the Deanwood Bethune-Cookman Club is going forward, and that you are keeping our work in mind during these days of severe stress.

We are going through a severe financial strain at this time and we are greatly in need of funds - particularly for maintenance and teachers salaries. We hope that it may be possible for the club, at this time, to give some material help to our work. Whatever you may do will be deeply appreciated.

We enclose some new literature, descriptive of our work. We earnestly solicit your continued interest and the interest of the members of our club.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

mmb-blm

Donor

March 31, 1938.

Mrs. R. E. Olds,
Box 5126,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Olds,

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued interest in the work we are trying to do in Bethune-Cookman College, and particularly for your material help at this time. We have just received your check for ten dollars, which brings great relief to us at this time. We enclose official receipt for this gift.

We sincerely hope that your interest in our work will continue.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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1 enclosure

April 1, 1938

Mrs. M. P. Stephens, Treasurer,
Tourist Church Sunday School,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

580 North Peninsula Drive.

Dear Mrs. Stephens,

Will you be kind enough to convey to the students and teachers of the Tourist Church Sunday School our deep gratitude for your generous donation of fifteen dollars to our maintenance budget. This gift comes at a time when we are greatly in need of maintenance funds and we do want you to know how grateful we are for it.

Our students and teachers are working on an annual Rally effort, in order to help themselves. They feel greatly encouraged as a result of your help.

We shall appreciate the continuance of your influence in our behalf.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1938

Sirkins, Incorporated,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Attention of Mr. Sirkin.

Dear Mr. Sirkin,

We are deeply grateful to you for your contribution of five dollars to the annual students and teachers rally. This type of cooperation gives great encouragement to our efforts here and we are so grateful to you for it.

Please continue thoughtful of. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1938

Electric Service, Incorporated
228 North Beach Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Friend,

We wish to express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $19.45 to our Students-Teachers Rally.

We enclose receipts for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We trust that you will continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us and use your influence whenever and wherever possible in our behalf.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1938

Miss Mildred E. Huff
Box 21
Burkeville, Virginia

My dear Miss Huff:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event that we have need of your services we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 2, 1938

Miss Marian L. Patton
Box 536
Bartlesville, Oklahoma

My dear Miss Patton:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event that we have need of your services we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1938

Mrs. Louise L. Harder,
930 Park Avenue,
New York City.

My dear Friend,

I am appealing to you at this time for some material help toward our urgent maintenance needs. I just must write to a few friends to see if they will help me in this emergency. We are greatly in need of maintenance funds, particularly for teachers' salaries. You know that we are putting forth every possible effort to secure endowment funds. Until we do secure an adequate endowment we will be faced with these emergencies in the maintenance budget. We want especially this year to close our work without a deficit. To this end, we are making all possible retrenchment in our budget. We find, however, that we must depend upon our friends to help us to pay the salaries of our teachers and workers.

I hope that you are well and all goes well with you. May I hear from you?

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4th, 1938

Mrs. Margarette G. Crossman,
Hampton Falls, New Hampshire,

My dear Friend,

I do not wish to impose upon you, but I feel that you as a close friend of our Institution will understand and not take offense when I approach you at this time.

We are coming to the end of our fiscal year and we are making every possible effort to close without a deficit. So much depends upon this year's report. You know how greatly we need endowment funds. You know also that the large Boards and Foundations will not consider contributing the large amounts needed to establish a campaign for endowment if the current maintenance budget does not balance. We are now making as many retrenchments as possible in our program in order that we may close without a deficit. Teachers and students are working and all teachers and workers are sacrificing part of their own meagre compensation that we may reach our goal. The need is still pressing, however, particularly for the payment of the balance of teachers' salaries.

Contributions made by our friends at this time will serve a double purpose. When it is indicated, we will credit the gifts to "Industrial Scholarship Aid" and help some of the many worthy students of the graduating class, who will be unable to complete their work without some aid. When such gifts come in, we put the students on part-time jobs, and their earnings are credited - from the gifts mentioned. The revenue thus received, is available for payments on salaries.

You have been so generous to us for these years, Mrs. Crossman. You have sent us a most welcome gift this year. In the light of our great need, however, we beg of you whatever additional consideration that you may be able to give at this time. You are familiar with the program we are fostering and know that our service is needed.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1938

Mrs. Ruth Draper
66 East 79th Street
New York City

Dear Mrs. Draper,

We do appreciate the material aid given to our work through Mr. Allen this year. Your gift, which we regarded as another vote of confidence in our program, met a real need in our maintenance budget.

We are now coming to the end of the fiscal year and we are making every possible effort to close the year without a deficit. To this end we have made certain retrenchment and we are earnestly appealing to our close friends to help us with urgent needs - particularly for teachers' salaries. If friends will contribute now to "Industrial Scholarship Aid," it will enable us to help several students of the graduating class who will have to withdraw unless some aid is given them. This aid permits us to put more of them on part-time jobs, giving the credit to their accounts in accordance with the gifts that friends send in. The revenue thus received, therefore, is available for teachers' salaries. So you see that whatever you may be able to do for us just now will serve a double purpose.

If it is possible for you to give us additional help this year I know you will do so.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 4th, 1938

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Carpenter
440 North Wells Street
Chicago, Illinois

My dear Friends,

For many years you have manifested good-will to our Institution and have shown your interest and confidence in our work through material contributions to our maintenance budget. We wish to thank you for this help and solicit your continued interest.

We are appealing to a few friends at this time to help us with the maintenance needs of the current year. General conditions always affect our budget, for we have a very small endowment and it takes a long time, it seems, for us to increase it to the point where maintenance will be assured. We have been leaning rather heavily upon friends for help. At this time we have gone into a program of retrenchment in order that we may not go in the red at the close of the fiscal year. Meanwhile, we are greatly in need of funds to pay teachers' salaries.

Will you be kind enough to help us at this time? You are familiar with our program and with the work we are trying to do among Negro youths of this section. Whatever you have done to help us and whatever you may do now are investments in the development of Christian citizenship among our people.

I do hope that you may help us at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4th, 1938

Mrs. T. H. Muir,
186 East 17th Street,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear Mrs. Muir,

Last Spring you were kind enough to make a generous donation to the work of our Institution. We considered your gift as a vote of confidence in the program we are fostering here, and it was most gratefully received.

We sincerely hope that you will consider our work again this year for we are having great difficulty in securing maintenance funds, particularly for teachers' salaries. We are making a special appeal to our friends at this time to help us carry on to the end of the year. We are making every possible retrenchment in the face of conditions and we hope that you will continue to stand by us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1938

Mrs. Bertha F. McKinney
2449 7th Avenue
New York City

My dear Mrs. McKinney:

My we express our deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of $5.00 to our Emergency Campaign.

We enclose official receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

May God bless you and may you continue to be thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1938

Mrs. Henry A. Whitmarsh,
102 Prospect Street,
Providence, Rhode Island.

My dear Mrs. Whitmarsh,

I do hope that you are well and that all continues to go well with you and Mr. Whitmarsh. We have missed seeing you at the College this year.

We are having great difficulty at this time in meeting maintenance needs. You were kind enough to send us a gift in the Fall, and other friends have helped us as the months and weeks have gone by. We are makeing every possible retrenchment to keep within the recourses that our ours but we find it very hard to keep up the payments on teachers' salaries.

Please, my dear friend, be thoughtful of us at this time. Whatever you may be able to do for us, I know you will do it. Use your wide influence in our behalf whenever you can. We need our friends greatly at this time.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1938.

Mr. Sidney Howard,
Samuel Goldwyn, Inc., Ltd.
7210 Santa Monica Boulevard,

Los Angeles, California.

My dear Mr. Howard,

It is so good to hear from you again. We had been trying to get in touch with you and we are happy to know that you continue to have a "warm spot" in your heart for Bethune-Cookman College. I cannot tell you how much we appreciate your generous contribution of one hundred twenty five dollars. It comes at a time when we are making special appeal for industrial scholarship funds, to help a few worthy students to complete their work here this year, and the revenue therefrom, to help pay our teachers. God bless you for this timely help. We enclose official receipt for the gift.

Please, Mr. Howard, use your influence in behalf of our work in Los Angeles. You must come in contact with many people of means who might share just a little with us. We are facing real difficulty just now in meeting maintenance needs. Whatever further help you may give to us, in telling others of our service, will be greatly appreciated.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 4, 1938

Miss Frances Atkinson,
Secretary of the Benevolence Committee,
The Riverside Church,
Riverside Drive at 122nd Street,
New York City.

My dear Miss Atkinson,

Last October 27th, you very kindly made some inquiries concerning Bethune-Cookman College, of Mr. Allen, who was at that time representing the College in New York. We sent you descriptive material from here in the hope that you would refer it to your Benevolence Committee. Mr. Allen is no longer working for us in that section and we are sending this note to say that we will appreciate any consideration that may be given to our needs, sent direct to the College.

We are facing great difficulty in meeting maintenance needs, particularly teachers' salaries. Whatever your Committee and Church may be able to do for us will be gratefully received. Please help us.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1938

Mrs. J. M. Ingersoll,
1700 South Bayshore Lane,
Miami, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Ingersoll,

We have been making some inquiries, since the receipt of your letter of March 30th, concerning our students in Miami and West Palm Beach, who might be in position to fill the place of maid in your home. At this distance, we are unable to secure satisfactory information. I am, therefore, referring you to one of our most dependable graduates, Miss Emma McBride, 6293 Northwest 17th Avenue, Miami, who will be able to refer you, I am sure, to a good maid.

May we thank you for this evidence of your interest in our work. We enclose some literature descriptive of our school - you may be interested in reading it.

With best wishes, and with the hope that Miss McBride may be able to help you, I am

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1938

Miss Marie Vernon
1826 Mulberry Avenue
Anniston, Alabama

My dear Miss Vernon:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a v vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1938

Mrs. Mary Layman
121 Cypress Street
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Layman:

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the solicitation of Mrs. Ethel Richardson.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We sincerely hope that your interest in our work may continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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April 8, 1938

Mrs. Frank Stengle,
Geneva Hotel,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Stengle,

May we acknowledge the receipt of eight dollars, twenty-five cents, from the sale of "Spring Fete" dinner tickets. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We are so grateful to you for your interest in our work and for your cooperation with this special Advisory Board effort.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 5, 1938.

Mrs. Helen H . Handy,
Atlantic and Morningside Avenues,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Handy,

It is so good of you to receive our representative, to read our literature and to make a contribution to our maintenance needs. We are so happy to know that your interest has been aroused, and we hope that it will grow as you know more of our work.

Your contribution of ten dollars comes at a most opportune time, for we are having difficulty in meeting maintenance needs, particularly teachers' salaries. We appreciate your help and hope that you will influence others to help us also.

Drive out and see our work and note the program we are trying to foster here. We shall be very glad to have you at any time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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April 5, 1938

Mrs. Mary S. Coles
1500 North Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Coles:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the solicitation of Mrs. Ethel Richardson.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We sincerely hope that your interest in our work may continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1938

Mr. U. S. Grant Keil
Clarendon Court
800 North Oleander Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mr. Keil:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the solicitation of Mrs. Ethel Richardson.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We sincerely hope that your interest in our work may continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 5, 1938

Mrs. Richard Cobden
735 North Wild Olive Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Cobden:

May we express our sincere gratitude to you for your contribution of $1.00 to Bethune-Cookman College, through the solicitation of Mrs. Ethel Richardson.

We enclose receipt for the amount contributed. Please know that we are grateful for this amount and for the manifestation of your confidence in the type of service we are rendering.

We sincerely hope that your interest in our work may continue.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 6, 1938

Mr. J. R. Hemphill
Hemphill and Torrence
223 South Brevard Street
Charlotte, North Carolina

My dear Mr. Hemphill,

May we thank you for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman, and for your recent contribution of one dollar to the Birthday Club. We are very grateful for your membership in this club. We enclose receipt for the amount of your donation.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 6, 1938

Miss Lilla Lissimore
407 Washtenaw
Ypsilanti, Michigan

My dear Miss Lissimore:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event that we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 6, 1938

Miss Theodora Stewart
518½ West Seventh Street
Sioux City, Iowa

My dear Miss Stewart:

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student 1938-39 [illegible]

April 6, 1938

Miss Gladys White,
Box 153,
Delhi, Louisiana.

Dear Miss White,

We are very happy to know that you are contemplating entering Bethune-Cookman College. We should welcome you here as a student.

Under separate cover we are sending you a current catalog and you will see just what aid is given to students. The only way that you might work your full expenses here is to work for one year, without attending any classes, and then attend classes, doing some part-time work, the following year.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 7, 1938

Miss Mary C. Schauffler,
Vocational Counselor,
Flora Stone Mather College,
Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Schauffler,

Thank you very much for your letter of April 2nd, in which you call our attention to the availability of Miss Helen E. Johnson, for classroom service.

Our faculty for 1938-39 is now being made up. It does not seem that we will have any vacancies in the Languages or the History Department; however, we will file Miss Johnson's qualifications for reference should an unexpected vacancy occur in the near future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donors

April 9, 1938

Mrs. Florence H. Gale
125 South Wildolive Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Gale,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your contribution of five dollars to the Annual Students and Teachers Rally, which has been credited to the group headed by Mr. Ernest Dyett. We enclose official receipt for the amount of your donation.

The interest and help of friends bring great encouragement to us at this time. We want each one of you who have confidence in the program of Bethune-Cookman, to know that your gifts, your interest and your influence are of invaluable help in carrying forward this program.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 9, 1938.

Miss Louise Emery,
Tilton, New Hampshire.

Dear Miss Emery,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your contribution of five dollars to the Annual 'Students and Teachers' Rally, which has been credited to the group headed by Mr. Ernest Dyett. We enclose official receipt for the amount of your donation.

The interest and help of friends bring great encouragement to us at this time. We want each one of you who have confidence in the program of Bethune-Cookman, to know that your gifts, your interest and your influence are of invaluable help in carrying forward this program.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 9, 1938

The Misses Freethy
229 North Wildolive Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

Dear Friends,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of twenty-five dollars to the Annual Students and Teachers' Rally, which has been credited to the groups headed by Mr. and Mrs. Dyett. We enclose official receipt for the amount of your donation.

The interest and help of friends bring great encouragement to us at this time. We want all of you who have confidence in the program of Bethune-Cookman to know that your gifts, your interest and the use of your influence in our behalf, are of invaluable help to us in carrying on the program.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us.

Gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student folder

April 9, 1938

Miss Emmaline Knight,
6 Market Street,
Phillipsburg, New Jersey.

Dear Miss Knight,

We are very happy to know that you plan to enter Bethune-Cookman College next year. We will be very happy to welcome you as a student of this Institution.

Under separate cover we are sending you one of our catalogs. We are not receiving applications for student aid or student work for next year, as yet. If, however, you wish to make formal application for aid, and you can meet the cash requirements in addition to the aid, we will be glad to give you all possible consideration. Board, room and laundry for girls total $17.00 per month; tuition is $51.00 a year, and may go up to $75.00 next year. This is payable one-third each quarter. In addition, each student must pay a total of $20.00 in annual fees. The aid usually allowed work students is about $10.00 a month, leaving a balance of $7.00 a month payable in cash for board, room and laundry, and all of the tuition and fees to be paid in cash.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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P. S. Get your formal application for aid into our hands by May 15th.

M. M. B.

April 11, 1938

Mr. Edmund Eckart,
Postoffice Box 3116,
Peninsula Station,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mr. Eckart,

May we express our deep appreciation to you for the generous vote of confidence that you have extended to us. We are so grateful to you for your interest in Bethune-Cookman, and for your contribution of fifty dollars to our maintenance at this time. It was most gracious of you to receive our representative and to read the literature descriptive of our work. We hope that this friendship, newly aroused, will continue and grow as you know more of our Institution.

No doubt you have noted the progress that Bethune-Cookman has made, through reading the literature left with you. This progress has been possible only because other friends believed in us and helped us. Our greatest needs now are for permanent endowment and for new friends to give us influence and encouragement and help.

We hope it will be possible for you to drive over to the College for a little visit. We would be so happy to welcome you here and have you shown through all departments of the school.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

April 12, 1938

Mr. Willie Wilder,
922 Eighth Street,
West Palm Beach, Florida.

Dear Mr. Wilder,

Thank you very much for your letter of April 9th, concerning the possibility of having your son enter Bethune-Cookman College.

We regret to state that we do not accept students in the seventh grade. We offer work in the last two years of high school, and in junior college only. Since you are living in West Palm Beach I am sure your son might enroll in one of the junior high schools there. We are sorry that he is not able to meet our entrance requirements here.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

General

April 15, 1938

Mr. B. F. Seldon,
State Supervisor of Negro Adult
Education,
1060 Broad Street,
Newark, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Seldon,

Upon the advice of Mr. Leonard Brazell, Supervisor of Negro History Project, we are requesting the following data for our teachers' use. Mr. Brazell indicates that this material is sent free of charge:

"The History of the Negro in New Jersey"
Vols I and II

"A Test in Negro History

"Syllabus - African Civilization" - etc.

Thank you for your courtesy in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 14, 1938

Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr.
Room 5600,
30 Rockefeller Plaza,
New York City.

My dear Mr. Rockefeller,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your generous contribution of five hundred dollars, which brings such real relief to our general maintenance situation at this time. Students and teachers of Bethune-Cookman College join me in appreciation to you for this evidence of your continued interest and good-will.

Although we have not been able to secure endowment funds to the extent that we desire and need this year, we have made every possible effort to maintain the work within the limits of our Budget. We have had to lean very heavily upon our friends. We are facing our situation frankly and fearlessly, however, and are making needed retrenchments.

Please be assured of our gratitude for your confidence in our work, and for your generous aid at this time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 15, 1938

Miss Bertha Gilson
29 Gage Street
Methuen, Massachusetts

Dear Miss Gilson,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your recent contribution of one dollar to our Students and Teachers Rally, received through Mrs. Dyett. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

Please continue thoughtful of us, and use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 16, 1938

Mrs. Fred Jenkins,
840 South Ridgewood Avenue,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Jenkins,

We are so grateful to you for your gracious reception of our representative, and for your interest in the work we are trying to do here.

May we thank you for your contribution of one dollar to our Institution. We are greatly in need of maintenance funds and this brings both help and encouragement to us.

We sincerely hope that your interest in us will continue.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 16, 1938

Miss M. A. Carolina,
1050 North Florida Avenue,
Lakeland, Florida.

Dear Miss Carolina,

May we express deep appreciation to you for your work in connection with the the Annual Students and Teachers Rally and for the contribution of three dollars, fifty cents, just received. We are sending individual receipts to the donors. Your receipt for $1.00 is enclosed.

We hope that you will continue to use your influence in behalf of the Drive. With your help, Lakeland should have a very good report in the final accounting.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 16, 1938

Mrs. G. Butler Smith
99 South Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach, Florida

My dear Mrs. Smith,

It was so gracious of you to receive our representative and to indicate your confidence in our program by making a contribution of five dollars to us. We are grateful for this help, for we are facing rather difficult problems of maintenance at this time. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

We hope that your interest in our work will continue, and that you will use your influence in our behalf whenever you can. Attend some of our Community meetings and enjoy the music of the students; drive down one day and inspect the work we are trying to do.

We do need more new friends to help us carry forward this work. We hope that you will take the time to know us better in order that you may become one of these friends.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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April 19, 1938.

Mr. David C. Coleman,
336 Beakes Street,
Ann Arbor, Michigan.

My dear Mr. Coleman,

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1938.

Miss Marion A. Richards,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

My dear Miss Richards,

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

April 19, 1938.

Mr. Reginald S. Reid,
818 South Dubuque Street,
Iowa City, Iowa.

My dear Mr. Reid,

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 19, 1938.

Mr. John L. Way,
171 Bloomfield Avenue,
Hartford, Connecticut.

My dear Mr. Way,

We are deeply grateful for your prompt response to our appeal for Industrial Scholarship funds. Through your generous gift of ten dollars, a boy will be enabled to work for three weeks, and this amount will be credited to his board and room account. This Industrial work enables boys and girls to go to school, attending all of their classes, and working during their spare time.

Bless you for your continued interest in our three-fold program here in Bethune-Cookman.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938

President Robert Lee Stuart,
Taylor University,
Upland, Indiana.

Dear President Stuart,

We have received "The Angel in Ebony," by Masa and the Story of Sammy Morris, in booklet form. These make most interesting additions to our College Library and we are grateful to you and to the friend who makes this gift possible.

May we congratulate you upon the unusually fine program of your Institution and upon your graphic publicity material, so effectively used as a letterhead.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 20, 1938

Mr. H. W. Cutler,
North Wilbraham, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Cutler,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your prompt and generous response to our appeal for industrial scholarship funds. Your gift of twenty-five dollars will enable us to give a worthy girl two months of work to help her through this scholarship year. God bless you for your continued help and interest.

We hope that you will also give us the use of your influence in your section. Our greatest need is for friends to continue to help us meet maintenance needs. We shall appreciate it if you will tell others of our work and our program.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Double

April 20, 1938

The Pastor of
Au Sable Forks Church,

Au Sable Forks, New York.

Dear Friend,

May we express our deep gratitude to you and your congregation for the generous contribution, designated for Bethune-Cookman College, of forty-eight dollars. We have just received this gift from the Board of Education.

Your friendship and help at this time mean more to us than we can ever express to you. This has been a most difficult year and we have needed, more than ever, the help of our friends.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely, gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938.

The Pastor of
Cedar Keys M. E. Church,
Old Town, Florida.

Dear Friend,

May we express our deep gratitude to you and your congregation for the contribution, designated for Bethune-Cookman College, of three dollars. We have just received this gift from the Board of Education.

Your friendship and help at this time mean more to us than we can ever express to you. This has been a most difficult year and we have needed, more than ever, the help of our friends.

Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,

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April 20, 1938

Mr. William L. Peay,
818 South Dubuque Street,
Iowa City, Iowa.

Dear Mr. Peay,

May we thank you for your letter of April 9th, making application for a position on the teaching staff of our Institution.

We do not anticipate any vacancies in the department of History and Political Science for next year but we will be very glad to file your letter for reference, should an unexpected opening occur.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Application

April 20, 1938

Miss Rubye Marrow,
232 Stonewall Street,
Jackson, Tennessee.

Dear Miss Marrow,

Thank you very much for your letter of April 16th, making application for a position on the faculty of our Institution.

We are making up the staff for 1938-39 at this time, but we have no vacancies for which you might be considered. We will hold your letter for reference, however, should an unexpected opening occur in the near future.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938

Miss Vivian Edwards,
Frasier Hall,
Howard University,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Miss Edwards,

Thank you very much for your letter of April 7, in which you make application for a position on the faculty of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are making up our staff for 1938-39 at this time, and there does not seem to be a possibility of a vacancy in our Departments of History of English. We will be very glad to file your letter for reference, however, should an unexpected opening occur.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938

Mr. Roland G. Henderson,
Atlanta University,
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Henderson,

May we thank you for your letter of April 13th, in which you make application again, for a position on the faculty of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are very much interested in your qualifications and wish to assure you that we will consider you this year if there is occasion to make a change in the staff of our Science department. We are thinking now of the workers for next year and will keep your letter before us.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Student

April 20, 1928.

Mrss Lila Lasane,
714 Market Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Mrs. Lasane,

Thank you very much for your letter of April 6th.

We would be very glad to receive your daughter as a student in Bethune-Cookman College, if she could meet our entrance requirements. However, we do not accept students classified below the eleventh grade. We note that your daughter is only thirteen years of age, and we conclude, therefore, that she is not of this classification.

We hope that it may be possible for you to get her satisfactorily located.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

Donors

April 20th, 1938

Mr. Joe H. James, Jr.
700 West Broad Street
Jacksonville, Florida

My dear Mr. James,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your contribution of six dollars, designated for the fund for the purchase of furniture for the boys dormitory.

We greatly appreciat[illegible] cooperation with this special solicitation on the part of Mrs. Taylor. The ladies of our Board give so much of their time and effort to the progress of the work and it means much to them to have the encouragement and help of members of the trustee board.

We enclose receipt for your gift.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938.

Mrs. Gertrude Page Jones,
216 Tenth Avenue, Northeast,
St. Petersburg, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Jones,

We are deeply grateful for your interest in the work of Bethune-Cookman College, and for your contribution of two dollars, fifty cents, which helps us in providing help, through industrial scholarship application, for a worthy boy who could not graduate without help of this kind.

We solicit your continued interest and the use of your influence in our behalf. Bethune-Cookman's greatest need is for friends, and we asking our old friends to seek new friends to help us at this time.

We enclose official receipt for your donation.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donor

April 20, 1938.

Miss Elizabeth W. Frothingham,
Wilson Park,
Tarrytown, New York.

My dear Miss Frothingham,

It is so gracious of you to respond so generously to our appeal for industrial scholarship donations. I cannot tell you just what your gift of five hundred dollars, just received through Mr. William I. Frothingham, means to us at this time. It will enable about ten students to complete their work and receive their certificates for service, this year. May God bless you for your continued interest in the program we are trying to foster here.

I regret that I have not had the opportunity of seeing you this year. I hope, however, that you spent a restful and pleasant vacation in Bermuda.

Always keep in mind that the many investments that you have made in Bethune-Cookman over the years, are bringing returns in the lives of service of ninety percent of our graduates.

With best wishes for your continued health and well-being, I am

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 20, 1938

Mr. William I. Frothingham,
C/o W. A. and A. M. White,
40 Wall Street,
New York City.

Dear Mr. Frothingham,

May we acknowledge the receipt of your note of April [illegible]th, with enclosure of check for five hundred dollars, contribution to Bethune-Cookman College from Miss Elisabeth W. Frothingham.

We have sent letter of deep appreciation for this gift, and official receipt, to Miss Frothingham at Tarrytown.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 20, 1938

Mrs. Frank W. Forbes,
12 High Street,
Westborough, Massachusetts.

Dear Mrs. Forbes,

It is so gracious of you to respond so promptly and so generously to our appeal for industrial scholarship funds. Your gift of twenty-five dollars, will enable a boy to receive work for these two months that will give him credit enough to carry him through this scholastic year. God bless you for this aid.

We enclose official receipt for your contribution. Please know how greatly we appreciate the help of our friends during this period. Please use your influence in behalf of the college that others may know of our work and become interested in it.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938.

The Pastor of
Mikesville M. E. Church,
Cedar Keys, Florida.

Dear Friends,

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your contribution of four dollars Lincoln Day gift to Bethune-Cookman College - which has been received through the Board of Education of the Methodist Episcopal Church. We enclose official receipt for this gift.

We solicit your continued interest in the work here, and the use of your influence with the Methodist constituency of your charge and district.

With best wishes,

Sincerely gratefully,

Mary McLeod Bethune

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Donors

April 20, 1938

Mr. Lawton L. Pratt,
525 West Beaver Street,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Dear Mr. Pratt,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your contribution of six dollars, designated for the fund for the purchase of furniture for the boys' dormitory. This contribution has been reported by Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor, of our Advisory Board.

We greatly appreciate your cooperation with this special solicitation on the part of Mrs. Taylor! The ladies of our Board give so much of their time and effort to the progress of the work and it means much to them to have the encouragement and help of members of the trustee board.

We enclose receipt for your gift.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938

To Whom It May Concern,

Mrs. Annie Simmons-Dixon served Bethune-Cookman College as contralto singer in our Publicity Quintette of mixed voices from August, 193[illegible] through September, 1937. She was paid for her very excellent services a salary of seventy-five ($75.00) dollars per a month. This Musical group rendered invaluable service to the college in publicity contacts all over the country and it was with great regret that we had to disband them to carry through a plan of our Board to have a Contact man on the field for a time.

Mrs. Dixon not only possesses a beautiful and flexible contralto voice, but has a personality and spirit of service that enhance her worth to any organization or group.

We are happy to recommend Mrs. Dixon for any courtesy or consideration she may seek at this time.

Very truly yours,

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Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 20, 1938.

Miss May W. White,
Summerville, South Carolina.

Dear Miss White,

We are so grateful to you for your prompt and generous response to our appeal for Industrial Scholarship funds. Your contribution of twenty-five dollars will enable us to help a worthy boy for two months, and permit him to complete his work this year. Your donation will help also, through its credit on this student's account, to make a payment on a teacher's salary. Bless you for gaking this possible.

You have shown interest in our work for many years, Miss White, and we are grateful to you for it. Your investments have brought splendid returns in the service of these young people. Ninety percent of them have gone into teaching positions in the rural districts where they are helping other Negroes to develop into good citizens.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Please use your influence in our behalf. Our greatest need is for friends to help us meet these urgent maintenance needs. So many of the old friends have passed on and we need new ones to take their places.

With best wishes, I am

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 23, 1938

Rev. Arthur Titcomb,
Farmington, Maine.

My dear Mr. Titcomb,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your continued friendship for Bethune-Cookman College. We are gratified over your prompt and generous response to our recent appeal for industrial scholarship funds. Your contribution of fifty dollars will enable two boys to complete their work this year, for they will be given work by which they may receive this credit on their expenses.

During the years of your interest here you have invested in the lives of so many boys and girls, Mr. Titcomb. These investments are bringing wonderful returns in the lives and service of our graduates.

God bless you for your encouragement, your friendship and your help.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 25, 1938.

Mr. Henry Robert Thomas,
Phyllis Wheatley House,
809 Aldrich Avenue, North,
Minneapolis, Minnesota,

My dear Mr. Thomas,

We wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter making application for a position on the staff of Bethune-Cookman College.

We are filing your letter and should a vacancy occur in the department in which you are qualified to serve, we will give you every possible consideration. In the event we have need of your services, we will communicate with you.

Thank you for calling to our attention your qualifications and availability.

Very truly yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune,

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BETHUNE-COOKMAN COLLEGE
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April 25, 1938.

Mr. Homer P. Clark,
West Publishing Company,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Mr. Clark,

We are deeply grateful for your continued interest in Bethune-Cookman College. You have been so generous to us and so helpful to us over a period of many years.

We have just received your contribution of one hundred dollars, sent in response to our appeal for industrial scholarship funds. This gift will enable us to help four students to complete their work in Bethune-Cookman this year. We are deeply grateful for this cooperation and help. Be assured that your investments are bringing forth splendid returns in the lives of these young people. Those whom you are helping to complete their work thib year will soon be going out into the rural districts to bring light to the darkened areas.

Please continue thoughtful of us. We enclose official receipt for your contribution.

Always gratefully yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

April 25, 1938.

Miss H. H. White,
2 Pierrepont Place,
Brooklyn, New York.

My dear, dear Friend,

It is so good of you to continue your interest in the work we are trying to do here. For all of these years you have stood by us and helped us build this Institution that is making such a definite contribution to youth development in Florida. We are most grateful to you for all that you have done.

We have just received, through the Brooklyn Trust Company, your contribution of two hundred dollars, in answer to our appeal for industrial scholarship funds. This generous gift will enable us to have eight boys and girls given jobs that will help them complete their work this year. It will also help us in making payments on Teachers' salaries. I just want you to know that your continued help is a justification of our Faith in our friends and in our Father.

We enclose official receipt for this gift. Please continue thoughtful of us and prayerful for us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 27, 1938.

Mrs. Brewer Eddy,
68 Kirkstall Road,
Newtonville, Massachusetts.

Dear Mrs. Eddy,

May we express our deep gratitude to you for your continued friendship and confidence in the program we are trying to foster here. Your kind letter and your contribution of ten dollars bring so much encouragement to us at this time. Your gift will enable us to give one month's industrial scholarship aid to a worthy girl in the graduating class. We enclose official receipt for this gift.

Please continue thoughtful of us. Use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 27th, 1938

Mrs. Kate H[illegible]on,
Independence, Iowa.

My dear Mrs. Hamilton,

We are deeply grateful to you for your continued friendship and confidence in Bethune-Cookman College. We depend upon friends like you to use their influence in behalf of our program here, as well as to help us materially. We are most grateful for your contribution of one dollar, which will help us to help one of our worthy students to complete the year's work.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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Donors

April 28, 1938

Mrs. A. H. Strong,
29 Sibley Place,
Rochester, New York.

My dear Mrs. Strong,

May we express deep gratitude to you for your continued friendship and confidence in the program of Bethune-Cookman College. It means so much to us to have friends like you and we hope that your interest will continue.

Your contribution of fifty dollars brings real relief at this time. It will enable a worthy boy to continue working for the two remaining months of the scholastic year. We are so thankful for this gift, receipt for which is enclosed.

We hope that you will continue thoughtful of us and will use your influence in our behalf whenever and wherever you can.

Always sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 28, 1938

Donors

Mrs. E. P. Stengle,
Geneva Hotel,
Daytona Beach, Florida.

My dear Mrs. Stengle,

May we express deep appreciation to you for your contribution of ten dollars, received through Mrs. Rees. We enclose official receipt for this amount.

The friendship and confidence you have given Bethune-Cookman during all of these years have meant so much to the growth of the work. You have cooperated with every effort we have made to maintain the school's program. We just want you to know that we are grateful for all that you have done and are doing. So long as we have staunch friends, we are encouraged to continue our service for these Negro boys and girls.

Please accept our gratitude for this contribution.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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April 29, 1938.

Mr. H. C. Holbrooke
115 East Ohio Avenue
DeLand, Florida .

My dear Mr. Holbrooke,

We sincerely hope that you enjoyed your recent visit to Bethune-Cookman College, and that you approve of the program we are trying to sponser in this Institution. Our greatest need is for friends and it means much to us to have your interest.

If you feel that our work is worthy of your assistance, we shall be most grateful for any contribution that you might make to our maintenance at this time. We are making a strenuous effort to meet all maintenanse needs and close the year without a deficit. If this is done, we feel that the large Foundations and Philanthropic Boards will consider our request for aid toward endowment next year.

Please come to see us again and bring friends with you. We shall welcome you at any time.

Sincerely yours,

Mary McLeod Bethune.

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